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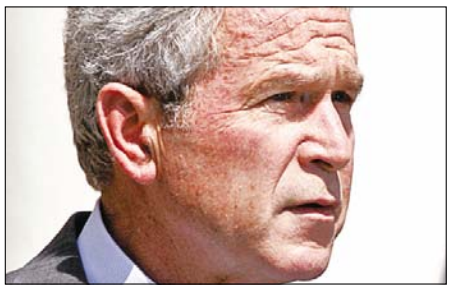

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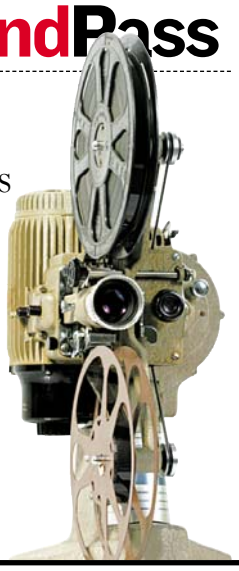

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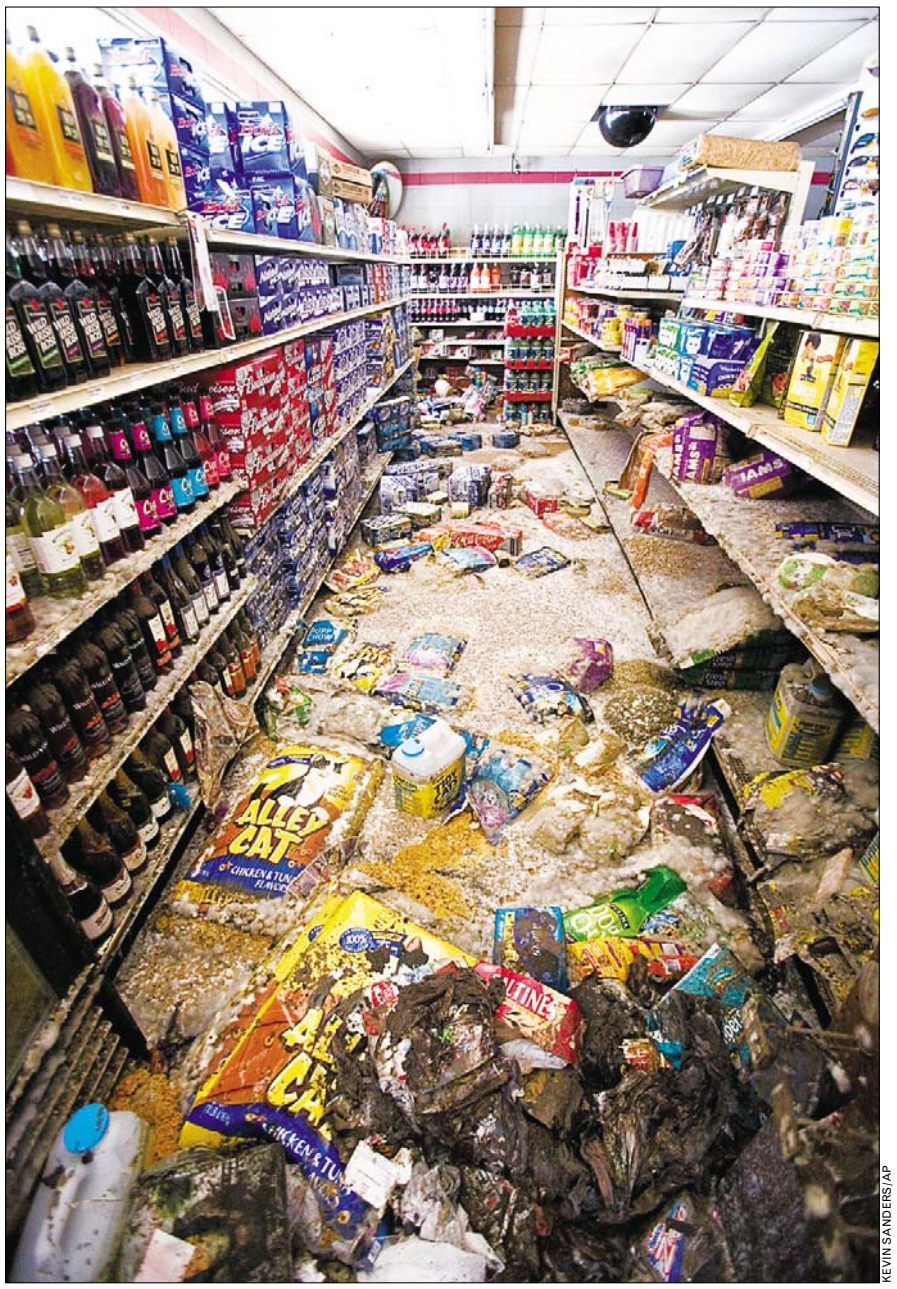

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More Mississippi River Levees at Risk

MUDDY MESS: An aisle at Jim's Foods sits in disarray after floodwaters receded on Wednesday in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. While the White House sought $1.8 billion in emergency disaster aid for the flood-ravaged Midwest, government officials warned that as many as 30 more levees may soon overflow along the Mississippi River. ✣ **Clean-up effort:** Government prepares for recovery | **Page 6**

Region's Housing Woes Up

Study: D.C. area sees sixfold increase in foreclosed homes

The Washington region now has one of the fastest growing foreclosure rates in the nation, as 15,613 homes went into foreclosure during the one-year period ending in February, an analysis to be released today has found.

The nation's hardest-hit areas of Phoenix, Miami and San Francisco have a greater share of homes in foreclosure, but the sixfold increase in Washington tops that of any metropolitan area studied, according to the report commissioned by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments and the Freddie Mac Corporation.

Although Prince William and Prince George's counties have experienced the most home foreclosures, the report identifies several communities as impending or potential "hot spots," including Centreville, Falls Church, Herndon and Vienna in Fairfax County; Germantown and Olney in Montgomery; and D.C.'s Adams Morgan.

The report will be presented Thursday at a regional foreclosure summit. The Council of Governments is establishing an emergency fund with private contributions to support nonprofit groups providing mortgage counseling and money for shelter, food and utilities to affected families. PHILIP RUCKER (THE WASHINGTON POST)

TOUGH TIMES

Foreclosures soar:

➜ The report shows the number of foreclosures per 10,000 homes jumped from 23 to 131 over the past year in the region.

➜ By comparison, the national average increased from 58 to 87 per 10,000.

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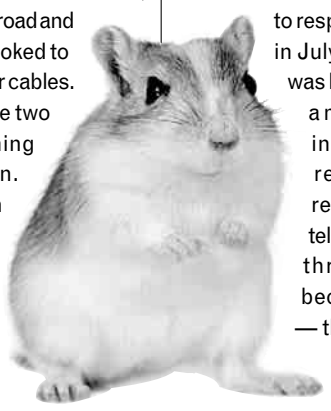
ANIMALS

Cupholder-Size Rodents a Failure

Police say a Springville, Utah, teenage driver who lost control of her car while scrambling to capture her pet gerbil wasn't cited for an accident that hospitalized two people. The gerbil escaped from its cage while the 17-year-old was southbound on state Route 51 Tuesday morning. Making a grab for the rodent, the driver veered off the road and hit a stranded truck hooked to another truck by jumper cables. The impact pushed the two trucks together, pinning a woman in between. She suffered a broken leg. A man helping the woman with her truck also suffered a broken leg. Neither the teen nor her gerbil was hurt. (AP)



CHILDHOOD

She'd Been Bullied By a Memorandum

A German court has ruled against a woman who claimed a phobia of official letters in her appeal of authorities' decision to cut off child support benefits. The court said the woman was sent a letter in May 2007 asking that she supply evidence to support continued payments for her daughter. After she failed to respond, she was notified in July 2007 that the money was being cut off and given a month to appeal. Only in September did she reply and supply the requested documents, telling authorities — who threw out her appeal because it was too late — that she had a phobia of official correspondence. (AP)

LUIS LIWANAG/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

NUDITY

Barely There

Members of a fraternity at the University of the Philippines held their annual ritual of running naked on campus six months early on Wednesday — by official request — to celebrate the school's centennial. Hundreds of cheering students lined the main campus avenue, jostling for positions with their cameras. The "Oblation Run" started in 1977 as a gimmick by the Alpha Phi Omega fraternity to promote a movie about oppressed plantation workers called "Naked Hero." (AP)

FASHION

Powdered Wigs Are Making a Comeback

A British woman's bulging wig did not fool customs agents in Norway. The wig was concealing 2.2 pounds of cocaine glued to her head, and customs agents detained her on suspicion of cocaine smuggling. The suspect arrived late Sunday from Copenhagen. "The agent thought she had a great deal of hair and suspected that she was wearing a wig," the agency said. The newspaper Verdens Gang said the cocaine was glued so firmly to the woman's real hair that police brought her to the local hospital to have it removed. (AP)

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1.8 | **The amount of disaster aid, in billions of dollars,** President Bush requested from Congress for the flood-ravaged Midwest. Bush requested funding for the government's main disaster relief fund, as well as help for farmers and small businesses.

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VEEP TALK

Speaking Hypothetically

One of the rules of being picked as a vice-presidential running mate is to never, ever openly express an interest in the job. And New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson knows the rule well, avoiding a direct answer when asked Wednesday at a Council on Foreign Relations luncheon in New York whether he'd like to be on the Democratic ticket with Sen. Barack Obama.

Richardson

"This is a decision that Sen. Obama needs to make," Richardson said.

But the rule about showing disinterest does not stop one from offering opinions. And when asked what qualities he thought Obama should be looking for in a good running mate, Richardson offered a purely objective analysis of an ideal running mate who sounded a lot like Richardson.

"Regional balance," Richardson said should be a top consideration, and he pointed out that the recent Democratic presidential coalitions have consisted of the East Coast, the West Coast, and not much in between. "We've ignored the Southwest," he continued. "We've ignored the Southwest Hispanic vote."

KEITH B. RICHBURG

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Bush: Dems to Blame for Gas Woes

President presses Congress to permit offshore oil drilling

WASHINGTON | With gasoline topping $4 per gallon, President Bush urged Congress on Wednesday to lift its long-standing ban on offshore oil and gas drilling, saying the United States needs to increase its energy production.

"There is no excuse for delay," the president said. With the general election just months away, Bush made a pointed attack on Democrats, accusing them of obstructing his energy proposals and blaming them for high gasoline costs. His proposal echoed a call by Republican John McCain to open the Continental Shelf for exploration

"Families across the country are looking to Washington for a response," Bush said.

Congressional Democrats were quick to reject the push for lifting the drilling moratorium, saying oil companies already have 68 million acres of offshore waters under lease that are not being developed.

EVAN VUCCI/AP

President Bush on Wednesday called on Congress to lift a ban on offshore oil and gas drilling in the United States. Democrats quickly rejected the proposal.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi called Bush's proposals "another page from [an]... energy policy that was literally written by the oil industry."

Sen. Barack Obama also rejected lifting the drilling moratorium that has been supported by a succession of presidents for nearly two decades.

> "Families across the country are looking to Washington for a response."
>
> PRESIDENT BUSH

Bush said offshore drilling could yield up to 18 billion barrels of oil over time.

"I know the Democratic leaders have opposed some of these policies in the past," Bush said. "Now that their opposition has helped drive gas prices to record levels, I ask them to reconsider their positions." H. JOSEF HEBERT (AP)

HEARSAY | POLITICS

> "It is offensive and counter to Obama's commitment to bring Americans together. ... We sincerely apologize."
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> —**BILL BURTON**, SPOKESMAN FOR BARACK OBAMA, ISSUING AN APOLOGY AFTER VOLUNTEERS KEPT TWO MUSLIM WOMEN FROM SITTING BEHIND OBAMA AT A RECENT RALLY.

McCain Touts Nuclear Power Plans

Senator says country should aim to build 45 reactors by 2030

SPRINGFIELD, MO. | Sen. John McCain called Wednesday for the construction of 45 new nuclear reactors by 2030 and pledged $2 billion per year in federal funds "to make clean coal a reality," measures designed to reduce dependence on foreign oil.

McCain, R-Ariz., said the 104 nuclear reactors currently operating across the country produce about 20 percent of the nation's annual electricity needs.

"Every year, these reactors alone spare the atmosphere from the equivalent of nearly all auto emissions in America. Yet for all these benefits, we have not broken ground on a single nuclear plant in over 30 years," he said.

Even so, he said he would set the country on a course to build 45 new ones by 2030, with a longer-term goal of adding another 55 in the future. DAVID ESPO (AP)

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—**Michelle Obama**, after exchanging fist bumps Wednesday with the hosts of ABC's "The View "

GAO Backs Boeing in Contract Fight

Report says Air Force should reopen bids for $35B worth of work

WASHINGTON | Congressional investigators have upheld Boeing's protest of a $35 billion Air Force tanker contract awarded to Northrop Grumman Corp. and Airbus parent European Aeronautic Defence and Space Co., and recommended that the service hold a new competition.

The Government Accountability Office said Wednesday that it found "a number of significant errors that could have affected the outcome of what was a close competition between Boeing and Northrop Grumman."

The Air Force had no immediate reaction to the GAO findings, saying only that it is aware of the report and will review it.

Boeing said it looks forward to working with the Air Force in the next steps in this "critical procurement for our war fighters."

While the GAO decision is not binding, it puts tremendous pressure on the Air Force to reopen the contract and could pave the way for Boeing to capture part or all of the award.

The contract has sparked a fierce backlash among lawmakers from Washington, Kansas and other states that stand to gain jobs if Boeing lands the contract.

"Boeing and the American people are the big winners in this decision," said Sen. Maria Cantwell, D-Wash.

The tanker contract has touched off a heated debate over the military's use of foreign contractors because the Northrop tanker would be based on an Airbus plane largely built in Europe. Backed by union officials representing Boeing workers and "Buy-American" proponents, Boeing supporters on Capitol Hill have painted the competition as a fight between an American company and its European rival.

Although the GAO denied some parts of the Boeing protest, it also offered a lengthy rationale for why the contract should be re-competed. It said the Air Force awarded the Northrop team improper extra credit for offering a larger plane that could carry more fuel, cargo and troops. It also found that the Boeing tanker would be cheaper to operate over its life span even though the Air Force initially said the Northrop tanker offered cost advantages. JOELLE TESSLER (AP)

STEPHEN BRASHEAR/AP FILE

In this file photo, Boeing union workers protest the U.S. Air Force's decision to award a fuel tanker contract worth $35 billion to Airbus and Northrop Grumman.

> "Boeing and the American people are the big winners in this decision."
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> **SEN. MARIA CANTWELL**, D-WASH.

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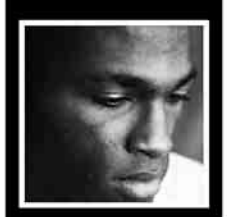

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Nation

383 **The number of people in the U.S.** made ill by salmonella-tainted tomatoes so far, according to the latest count from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Midwest Levees in Danger

Government says overflows will likely occur in small towns

WASHINGTON | As many as 30 more levees may overflow along the Mississippi River from Burlington, Iowa, down to St. Louis, the government said Wednesday.

Twenty levees already have been topped by floodwaters this week, the Army Corps of Engineers said. Twenty to 30 other levees could overflow if sandbagging efforts fail to raise the height of the structures.

The levees in danger protect rural, industrial and agricultural areas, not heavily populated towns. The levees protecting large towns are not as at risk of overflowing, officials said.

Record-breaking storms and flooding across six states this month are still forcing thousands of people to evacuate. Since June 6, there have been 24 deaths and 148 injuries because of the storms and flooding, according to federal briefing documents obtained by The Associated Press.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency said two levees in Illinois have broken and a dam in Morgan County, Ind., has been significantly damaged.

FEMA Administrator R. David Paulison said that as of Wednesday afternoon, officials shifted concern to flooding between St. Louis and the Quad Cities, which include Bettendorf and Davenport in Iowa, and Moline and Rock Island in Illinois.

FEMA is organizing national housing task forces in the affected states. No states have requested FEMA trailers as of Wednesday.

EILEEN SULLIVAN (AP)

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Tony Jacobs captures footage of the flooding Wednesday in La Grange, Mo. There have been at least 24 flooding-related deaths in the Midwest since June 6.

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World

27 | **The additional percentage of land Colombian peasants devoted** to growing coca in 2007, the United Nations reported Wednesday, calling the increase "a surprise and a shock" given intense efforts to eradicate coca. The plant is cocaine's raw ingredient.

In Brief

REG BAKER/AP

Sichuan quake survivor Zhang Xiaoyan kisses her baby, Ai, on Wednesday.

URUMQI, CHINA

Woman Who Survived Quake While Pregnant Delivers Girl

A mother-to-be trapped under rubble for 50 hours in last month's Sichuan earthquake delivered a healthy baby girl Wednesday, in a tender coda to the massive tragedy that killed almost 70,000 people. Zhang Xiaoyan named her 7-pound, 4-ounce girl Ai, or love, in honor of the rescuers and strangers who have showered her with gifts and VIP treatment since she was pulled from the debris. "Even if I didn't make it, I just wanted my baby to survive," Zhang, 35, said Wednesday. (AP)

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

S. African President Visits Zimbabwe Ahead of Election

South African President Thabo Mbeki made a quickly scheduled visit to meet Zimbabwe's president and opposition leader Wednesday amid international concern about mounting political violence before Zimbabwe's election runoff. Mbeki met separately with President Robert Mugabe and Movement for Democratic Change leader Morgan Tsvangirai. There was no word on whether progress had been made. (AP)

VILNIUS, LITHUANIA

Lawmakers Vote to Prohibit Display of Nazi, Soviet Icons

Lawmakers in Lithuania — where many still feel bitter about nearly 50 years of Soviet occupation — have approved legislation to ban the display of Nazi and Soviet symbols, such as the swastika and the hammer and sickle. President Valdas Adamus is expected to sign the bill into law this month, thus prohibiting the public display of the Soviet flag, military uniforms and the Soviet star. (AP)

Violence Precedes Mideast Truce

Leaders from Israel, Gaza voice limited faith in new cease-fire

EYAD BABA/AP

Palestinian children sit in a building destroyed in recent years during the conflict with Israel in Rafah, Gaza Strip, Wednesday.

JERUSALEM | Palestinian militants launched at least 50 rockets and mortars from Gaza and Israel responded with airstrikes on Wednesday, just a day before a truce was set to take effect, illustrating how fragile the arrangement between Israel and Hamas would be.

After months of violence, the leaders of both sides expressed hope that the truce would succeed — but made it clear they have little faith in their adversaries' commitment to the deal.

"I hope it will succeed. I believe there will be quiet in [Israel's] south," Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said in a speech to philanthropists. But he also said he instructed his military "to prepare for any operation, short or long, that might be necessary" if the truce breaks down.

In Gaza, Hamas Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh said the truce would "ease the lives of Gazans," but success or failure was up to Israel.

Just a day before the cease-fire was set to go into effect, Israel launched another diplomatic initiative — a public call on Lebanon to open peace talks. Lebanon's premier quickly rejected the call.

The truce between Israel and Hamas also still seemed remote. The military said at least 40 rockets and 10 mortar shells exploded in Israel by nightfall, an especially high one-day total.

Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility for much of the rocket fire, saying it was avenging Israeli airstrikes that killed 10 militants in the previous two days. Israel hit back with two strikes, wounding two Palestinians, Hamas officials said.

One of the rockets from Gaza exploded in Ilan Basherim's greenhouse at Moshav Yesha, not far from Gaza. He was critical of the truce.

"This cease-fire will give more strength to Hamas, and they will be more violent in another six months. This is not good for Israel," he said.

MATTI FRIEDMAN (AP)

NATO, Afghan Forces Hunt Taliban

Dozens of insurgents killed outside Afghan city of Kandahar

ARGHANDAB, AFGHANISTAN | Backed by helicopters firing missiles, hundreds of NATO and Afghan forces hunted Taliban militants in villages outside Kandahar on Wednesday, killing dozens of insurgents.

NATO reported only light resistance in Arghandab district, a lush river valley filled with fruit groves that offer militants bountiful defensive positions.

The Afghan army says up to 400 militants poured into the area on Monday, just 10 miles northwest of Kandahar city, the Taliban's former power base.

U.S. and NATO officials have repeatedly played down the scope of the Taliban push. But the swift military response — 700 Afghan soldiers flew to Kandahar on a moment's notice — and the fighter aircraft dedicated by NATO suggest that keeping Arghandab free from militants is an urgent priority.

MARCO DI LAURO/GETTY IMAGES

A British paratrooper is on patrol in Kandahar, Afghanistan, Wednesday.

CRUCIAL REGION

- ➜ Afghanistan's Arghandab district is considered a gateway to Kandahar.
- ➜ If militants can gain a foothold there, attacks become easier on the city once commanded by fugitive Taliban leader Mullah Omar. (AP)

The Afghan Defense Ministry said more than 20 Taliban fighters were killed Wednesday in NATO airstrikes in the Arghandab village of Tabin and 16 more were killed in the village of Khohak. Two Afghan soldiers were also killed, the ministry said in a statement.

Elsewhere in Afghanistan, militants killed six NATO soldiers and wounded 10. NOOR KHAN AND JASON STRAZIUSO (AP)

U.S.: Baghdad Bombing Led by Renegade Shiite

BAGHDAD | The U.S. military blamed a renegade Shiite militiaman on Wednesday for a truck bombing that killed 63 people in a Shiite area of Baghdad, saying he was trying to re-ignite sectarian violence for personal gain.

The allegation points to a shift in the Iraq conflict, with the U.S. increasingly concerned about Iranian-backed Shiite splinter groups as al-Qaeda's influence recedes.

No group claimed responsibility for the blast. U.S. spokesman Lt. Col. Steven Stover said the American command believed the attack was led by Haydar Mehdi Khadum al-Fawadi, who has been sought for months for kidnapping, murder and other offenses. (AP)

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World

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EU Parliament members vote on new immigration rules on Wednesday.

EU Passes New Rules For Illegals

Legislation reflects hardening attitudes toward immigration

STRASBOURG, FRANCE | Europe's hardening attitudes toward immigration found a voice in the EU Parliament Wednesday, as legislators passed controversial new rules for expelling illegals amid a widening crackdown in the United States.

As the global economy slows, rich countries are coming under increased pressure to act tough on immigration.

While the European rules do not lay the groundwork for workplace raids like in the U.S., they contain contentious measures such as providing for long detention periods.

The EU has seen a spike in tensions with immigrants: Italians blame foreigners for a rise in crime, France is grappling with violence in immigrant-heavy communities, and Belgium has come under criticism for its treatment of foreigners in detention centers.

Until now, there has been no common EU policy on expelling illegal immigrants. Detention periods varied from 32 days in France to indefinite custody in Britain and six other countries.

Under the new guidelines, illegal immigrants can be held in specialized detention centers — not jails — for up to 18 months before being expelled. JAN SLIVA (AP)

THREE'S COMPANY: Three endangered newborn Sumatran tiger cubs have been sighted by staff at a New Zealand zoo — six days after they were born. The triplet tiger cubs' mother, Molek, gave birth last Thursday, but zoo staff stayed away from their enclosure to allow the mother to bond with her cubs. There are fewer than 400 Sumatran tigers in the wild.

Egypt Revises Anti-Smoking Effort

New cigarette warning labels will emphasize serious health risks

CAIRO, EGYPT | Offering a cigarette is as common as a handshake in Egypt, where smoking is so entrenched that patients sometimes light up in hospital rooms. But now the government is getting serious about the health risks, launching a new campaign of stark visual warnings about tobacco's dangers.

Starting Aug. 1, cigarette labels in Egypt will be required to carry images of the effects of smoking: a dying man in an oxygen mask, a coughing child and a limp cigarette symbolizing impotence.

It's a major step in Egypt's fledgling anti-smoking campaign and a big change in a country where discussion of smoking's risks is nearly nonexistent.

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The percentage of adult males in Egypt who use tobacco in some form, compared to 24 percent of males in the U.S.

"I would like to quit, but I just can't. But when you see pictures like this, like that sick man, that has an effect — it does encourage you to stop," said Osama Sabri Mohammed, a 39-year-old civil servant in downtown Cairo.

EGYPT MINISTRY OF HEALTH/AP

A sick man is shown in a new warning image for Egypt's cigarette labels.

The impotence message might have a particular effect on Egyptians, he said, because "they are really concerned about that."

The photo of the limp cigarette comes with the warning that "long-term smoking has an effect on marital relations" — somewhat coyer than a version the European Union has recommended for its member countries, which states directly that smoking causes impotence and shows a discontented couple sitting apart in bed. PAUL SCHEMM (AP)

BRUSSELS | PROTEST

GEERT VANDEN WIJNGAERT/AP

ROADBLOCKS: Belgian farmers' tractors are parked in the center of Brussels on Wednesday as hundreds of farmers, truckers and taxi drivers demonstrated against skyrocketing fuel costs.

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Local

In Brief

BOB BROWN/RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH/AP

Warner rides in a Chevy Tahoe Hybrid after presenting his new energy plan.

RICHMOND, VA.

Warner Proposes Methods To Cope With Energy Costs

Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Mark Warner on Wednesday proposed crackdowns on commodities speculators, massive investments in renewable energy research and hybrid cars among as ways to cope with soaring energy costs. Warner said he supports oil and gas exploration off the Atlantic and Pacific coasts but opposes drilling in unspoiled Alaskan wilderness. (AP)

WASHINGTON

U.S. Capitol Police Update Congress on Radio System

The chief of U.S. Capitol Police says nearly 90 percent of the department's radio system "desperately needs to be replaced." Chief Phillip Morse testified before a House subcommittee Wednesday that is examining ongoing efforts by police to replace the analog system, which is more than 20 years old and routinely fails. Morse says plans call for a new state-of-the-art digital radio network that would allow Capitol Police to better link in with other law enforcement agencies in the region — such as the D.C. police department. (AP)

ANNAPOLIS, MD.

O'Malley to Attend First Obama Campaign Event

Gov. Martin O'Malley and other Democratic governors will discuss the national economy at a campaign event for Barack Obama this week in Chicago, an O'Malley spokesman said Wednesday. The event will be the first Obama event attended by O'Malley. (AP)

3 Shot at Anacostia Metro Station

Metrobus driver's head grazed; 2 victims are arrested on gun charges

Three people, including a Metrobus driver, were shot Wednesday afternoon at the Anacostia Metrorail station, officials said. Police have arrested two of the shooting victims on gun charges.

All three victims were taken to the hospital and none of them is believed to have suffered life-threatening injuries.

The shooting happened around 1 p.m. in the bus bay area of the Anacostia station, at 1101 Howard Road SE, which serves Metro's Green Line. The bus driver was standing outside his vehicle when a bullet grazed the back of his head.

The other two victims ran from the scene but were chased down by a D.C. police officer who was nearby and heard the shots, said Cmdr. Joel Maupin. One of the victims was shot in the chest and the other in the arm; both are in stable condition, he said.

KEVIN CLARK/TWP

Police investigate a guns used in a shooting at the Anacostia Metro station.

The other two victims, who police said are 17 or 18 years old, were carrying guns and will face gun charges. Maupin said police are sorting out whether either man fired his weapon. Investigators believe a third person might have been involved in the shooting, Maupin said.

The bus driver, a 22-year Metro employee, was driving a shuttle that had been ferrying passengers to and from the station because its elevator is broken, Metro spokeswoman Taryn McNeil said. ALLISON KLEIN AND LENA SUN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

WASHINGTON | FINAL RESPECTS FOR RUSSERT

J. SCOTT APPLEWHITE/AP

STOIC SEND-OFF: Luke Russert, Tim Russert's son, left, and Maureen Orth, Russert's widow, right, watch as the "Meet the Press" host's casket is carried from Holy Trinity Church Wednesday. Sens. Barack Obama and John McCain, and several journalists were among those who attended the funeral.

Kaine Ends Va. Prison Bed Lease Program

RICHMOND, VA. | Responding to complaints from sheriffs, Gov. Timothy M. Kaine has ordered the Virginia Department of Corrections not to lease any additional prison space for inmates from other states.

The directive means prison officials must find other ways to finish plugging a $38 million budget gap over the next two fiscal years, department director Gene M. Johnson told the House Appropriations Committee on Wednesday. Officials already have decided to delay this fall's scheduled opening of a new 800-bed prison wing in Chesapeake.

Virginia collects $7.2 million annually by housing about 300 inmates from Wyoming under a contract that runs through June 20, 2010.

That deal will not be affected by Kaine's order, which scuttles plans to bring in an additional 700 inmates from other states and leaves a $12 million annual shortfall in the department's budget.

"We're looking at a variety of things, including possibly closing facilities," Johnson told reporters after the committee meeting.

Last week, Virginia Beach Sheriff Paul Lanteigne sued the state for leaving inmates in his jail while accommodating prisoners from Wyoming. (AP)

5 Subpoenaed in Md. Mayor Probe

BALTIMORE | In addition to Tuesday's raid of Baltimore Mayor Sheila Dixon's home, state prosecutors issued subpoenas to five city employees.

City Solicitor George Nilson confirms those employees were Lauretta Brown, Chelsea Scott, Sharon Jackson, Wanda Watts and Anne Lansey.

They were subpoenaed to testify before a grand jury. Prosecutors did not seize any documents from the five women. (AP)

The Lotteries

Wednesday, June 18

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Mid-day Lucky Numbers	**8-6-8**
Evening Lucky Numbers (Tues.)	**2-4-0**
Mid-day DC 4	**6-6-3-8**
Evening DC 4 (Tues.)	**5-6-1-9**
Rolling Cash Five (Tues.)	**20-24-25-31-35**
Daily 6 (Tues.)	**13-18-25-26-33-38 Bonus: 10**

MULTI-STATE GAMES

Mega Millions (Tues.)	**5-14-25-47-49**
Mega Ball	**36**

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	**6-4-0**
Evening Pick 3 (Tues.)	**0-4-9**
Mid-day Pick 4	**6-5-7-0**
Evening Pick 4 (Tues.)	**3-3-8-3**
Match 5 (Tues.)	**10-18-21-27-32 Bonus: 25**

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Wed.)	**8-6-6**
Evening Pick 3 (Tues.)	**6-1-2**
Mid-day Pick 4 (Wed.)	**1-6-3-5**
Evening Pick 4 (Tues.)	**6-0-2-5**
Mid-day Cash 5 (Wed.)	**3-5-7-16-22**
Evening Cash 5 (Tues.)	**1-2-7-8-22**

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Money

2.2 | **The amount, in millions of dollars,** paid at an auction Tuesday for a first-edition book by Nicolaus Copernicus published in 1543. It was in the text that Copernicus first suggested that the sun — rather than Earth — is at the center of the universe.

Bank Losses May Still Get Worse

IMF predicts financial houses will lose nearly $1 trillion due to loans

NEW YORK | There are new signs that the worst of the global credit crisis is yet to come, and that banks and brokerages caught up in the market turmoil may lose $1 trillion by the time it has passed.

Major U.S. investment banks this week announced yet another painful quarter amid the implosion of mortgage-backed securities and risky credit investments. Regional banks have scrambled to secure fresh capital to stay in business, and by Wednesday there was new talk that embattled bank Lehman Brothers might be forced into a sale.

MARK LENNIHAN/AP

Morgan Stanley is one of many investment banks hit hard by the credit crisis. The bank's profits were down 61 percent in the second quarter compared to last year.

With each passing quarter, Wall Street's top bankers have indicated that the worst of the market turmoil was over — only to face more pain months later.

"We thought this was going to be the kitchen-sink quarter, and we're finding out that CEOs and CFOs still don't have a handle on the credit crisis," said William Rutherford, who runs Rutherford Investment Management. "We haven't disinterred all the dead bodies. What else is out there?"

The deepening credit crisis could cost the global financial system about $945 billion by the time it is over, according to a report from the International Monetary Fund. So far, banks and brokerages have written down nearly $300 billion from bad bets on mortgage-backed securities and other investments.

After reporting disappointing second-quarter results, executives at Goldman Sachs, Morgan Stanley and Lehman Brothers still weren't entirely clear when the hemorrhaging will end. David Viniar, Goldman Sachs' chief financial officer, on Monday said that March marked "the bottom of the crisis, at least for now" — making no predictions. JOE BEL BRUNO (AP)

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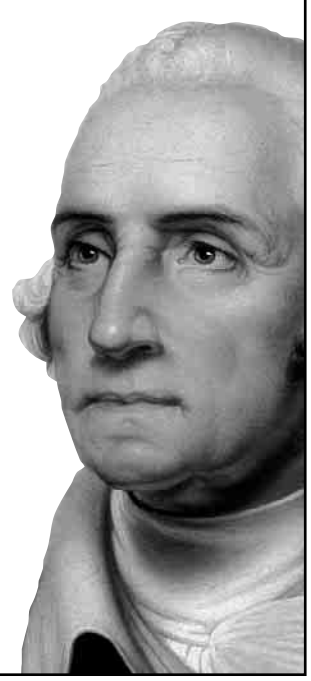

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Money

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Demetrius Stroud bought a home near an Amtrak station to offset the rising cost of gas. There are indications gas prices are affecting home purchases nationwide.

For Home Buyers, The Choice Is Near

Americans are moving closer to the workplace to avoid high fuel bills

REAL ESTATE | In his hunt for a new home, Demetrius Stroud crunched the numbers and realized that moving near an Amtrak station was the best thing for his wallet.

Stroud was looking in Elk Grove., Calif. — about 85 miles away from his job in the San Francisco Bay Area — because houses there are more affordable. But with gas at $4.50 per gallon, Stroud would be pumping $560 per month into his tank.

So, instead, he made an offer on a home near a train station, which will shave $160 off his commuting costs.

"I wouldn't even be able to consider doing it without that Amtrak possibility," Stroud said.

Stroud's choice represents a fundamental shift in the way more Americans are approaching home buying in this era of ballooning gas prices. Real estate agents, transportation officials and industry surveys indicate that home buyers are placing more importance on cutting their gas bills and commute times than they have since the oil shocks of the 1970s.

Don Denton, manager of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in the Capitol Hill area of Washington, D.C., said prices are holding in the area.

"We have seen a steady increase in interest in our area over the last several years, and it is comparable to how the reaction to the 1970s gas crisis sparked an interest in this area and inside the entire Beltway," Denton said.

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The amount of Coldwell Banker real estate agents who say rising gas prices are a concern for their clients.

A grueling commute by car into the city is the main reason Mark Bulkeley wants to move closer to his job in Tysons Corner. He is selling his home in Haymarket, Va., which is 30 miles from work.

"When we decided that we were going to make a move, we basically put a dot in the middle of the map where my office is and said, 'We are not going to live farther than essentially a 20-minute circle around that,'" Bulkeley said.

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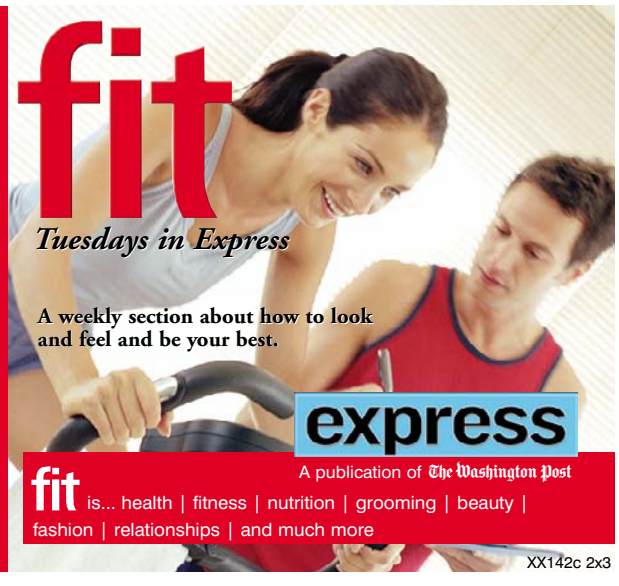

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DUTCH LOVIN': The Netherlands, which outscored the opposition 9-to-1, was made a 7-to-2 favorite to win the European Championship Wednesday. Russia was made a 14-to-1 choice, the second-longest shot in the field behind Turkey, which is 25-to-1. Spain was 4-to-1.

Tiger Shuts It Down for the Year

Woods will undergo season-ending surgery after winning Open

GOLF | Tiger Woods walked tenderly out of Torrey Pines with a U.S. Open trophy he was destined to win on a left leg worse than anyone imagined. A group of children called out to him and Woods looked over and waved.

It turned out to be a most symbolic gesture.

So long, Tiger.

See you next year.

Woods revealed Wednesday he has been playing for at least 10 months with a torn ligament in his left knee, and that he suffered a double stress fracture in his left leg two weeks before the U.S. Open. He said he will have season-ending surgery, knocking him out of the final two majors and the Ryder Cup.

"Now, it is clear that the right thing to do is to listen to my doctors, follow through with this surgery and focus my attention on rehabilitating my knee," Woods said on his Web site.

He sure wasn't listening to doctors by playing the U.S. Open, a victory that now looks even more impressive.

Out of competition for two months because of April 15 surgery to clean out cartilage in his left knee, he suffered a double stress fracture in his left tibia two weeks before the U.S. Open.

CHARLIE RIEDEL/AP

Woods holds his left knee while coming out of a bunker during Saturday's round.

Hank Haney, his swing coach, was with him in Florida when doctors told Woods the preferred treatment was three weeks on crutches, followed by three weeks of rest.

According to Haney, Woods looked at the doctor and said: "I'm playing the U.S. Open, and I'm going to win."

"And then he started putting on his shoes," Haney recalled. "He looked at me and said, 'Come on, Hank. We'll just putt today.' Every night, I kept thinking there was no chance he's going to play. He had to stop in his tracks for 30 seconds walking from the dining room table to the refrigerator.

"He was not going to miss the U.S. Open at Torrey Pines. There just wasn't any discussion."

Woods, 32, did not say when he would have surgery, but he canceled a clinic that was scheduled for Tuesday at Comerica Park in Detroit. Haney said the typical recovery is six to eight months. This will be Woods' third surgery in five months on his left knee. DOUG FERGUSON (AP)

D.C. reacts: The news about Tiger was disappointing for local golf fans, who were looking forward to watching him play at the AT&T National | **Today's Post, Sports**

Yet Another Championship Parade in Boston

NBA | Boston's streets will be crowded again Thursday with screaming fans celebrating a championship — but this time they'll be wearing green.

Mayor Tom Menino announced plans Wednesday for a "rolling rally" at 11 a.m. Thursday to celebrate the Boston Celtics' win over the Los Angeles Lakers in the NBA Finals. The parade will start at the TD Banknorth Garden and wind its way through downtown to Copley Square.

Sixteen World War II-era amphibious "duck boats" will carry the Celtics players, owners and staff. The team's dancers, former Celtics greats and championship trophies from previous years will ride on two flatbed trucks.

City officials urged the hundreds of thousands of fans expected to attend the parade to use public transportation, with streets around the route closed to traffic beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The city has held five other championship parades since 2002 — three when the New England Patriots won the Super Bowl and two when the Boston Red Sox won the World Series. The last one was on Oct. 30, after the Red Sox swept the Colorado Rockies. (AP)

WINSLOW TOWNSON/AP

The Celtics' new "Big Three" celebrate in the Boston locker room after winning their first NBA title, the 17th for the Celtics.

No. 1 for the Big 3 Is No. 17 for Boston

With the team intact for the next 2 seasons, Celtics seek more wins

NBA | When the Boston Celtics built a new practice facility, they surrounded the court with their 16 NBA championship banners and left a blank space for No. 17.

The message was a bit too subtle for Doc Rivers.

The Celtics coach turned a spotlight on the empty spot on the wall at the beginning of this season so there would be no doubt about the team's goal.

"They can turn that thing off now," guard Ray Allen said early Wednesday morning, his left eye still red from the first-half face-raking and the postgame champagne spraying that accompanied Boston's title-clinching, 131-92 victory over the Los Angeles Lakers.

Allen returned to the floor after getting poked in the eye and scored 26 points, including an NBA record-tying seven 3-pointers, Kevin Garnett had 26 points with 14 rebounds and finals MVP Paul Pierce scored 17 with 10 assists on Tuesday night as the Celtics smoked the Lakers like one of Red Auerbach's legendary victory cigars.

A year after winning just 24 games, then drawing bad luck in the draft lottery, the Celtics completed the most dramatic turnaround in NBA history with a Game 6 blowout that was equally impressive.

It was the 17th title for the league's most-decorated franchise, but it was the first for Pierce, Garnett and Allen; for Rivers, after nine full seasons as a coach and 13 as a player; and for the owners who named their group Banner 17 when they took over in 2002 and now have to consider whether they set their sights too low.

"If I changed it I would change it to Banner 20 to set the right tone," owner Wyc Grousbeck said in an e-mail on Wednesday. "But Red always said the first one was his favorite, and in honor of our first one we are going to stay with Banner 17."

All five starters signed for two more seasons, and all but Allen are in the fold for 2010-11. Sixth man James Posey is the key free agent, though midseason acquisitions P.J. Brown and Sam Cassell are also unsigned for next year.

The bigger question is whether the Big Three, so hungry after a decade of watching other teams celebrate, can come back and do it again. JIMMY GOLEN (AP)

Celtic Comparison

➜ Kevin Garnett, Ray Allen and Paul Pierce never wanted to be compared to the Big Three. They just wanted to win when they had never been able to. | **Today, Sports**

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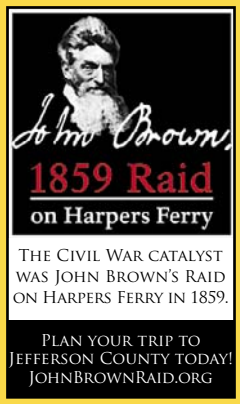

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Andrei Arshavin celebrates after scoring to put Russia up in the second half.

Russia Trounces Sweden

Soccer team outruns more-seasoned bunch for date with Dutch

EURO 2008 | Russia dominated in a 2-0 victory over Sweden on Wednesday in a Group D elimination game, sending the Russians to the European Championship quarterfinals.

Roman Pavlyuchenko scored in the first half, and Andrei Arshavin, coming off a two-match suspension, made it 2-0 right after the break. That set up a match against the Netherlands on Saturday.

The youthful Russians outran the experienced Swedes to qualify for the knockout stage for the first time since the breakup of the Soviet Union. For Sweden, it was the first group stage exit at a major tournament since Euro 2000. Russia coach Guus Hiddink maintained his record of reaching the knockout stage in every international tournament he has coached. He now will take on his home country, which he led to the semifinals of the 1998 World Cup.

Hiddink's move to pick Arshavin in his starting team paid off as the playmaker picked up a pass from Yuri Zhirkov in a fast Russian counterattack and scored with a right-footed shot in the 50th minute. (AP)

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STICK TO THE SCRIPT: Five-time champion Roger Federer and top-ranked player Ana Ivanovic were seeded No. 1 for Wimbledon Wednesday. Wimbledon stuck closely to the world rankings. The top seven spots in the men's list followed the rankings, as did those for the top 20 women.

Sports

Spain Gets by Greece on Late Goals

EURO 2008 | Spain finished the first round of the European Championship with a perfect record, thanks to a 2-1 victory over Greece on Wednesday night, sending the defending champions home with no points.

Dani Guiza and Ruben de la Red scored second-half goals Wednesday to rally Spain, which has won nine straight games and is unbeaten in 19.

Greece avoided becoming the first defending champion to leave the European Championship without scoring a goal, getting a 42nd-minute header from Angelos Charisteas. But Greece was the only team to not earn a point from three matches in Group D.

Both Spain players scored their first goals for their country, which will face Italy in the quarterfinals on Sunday in Vienna. (AP)

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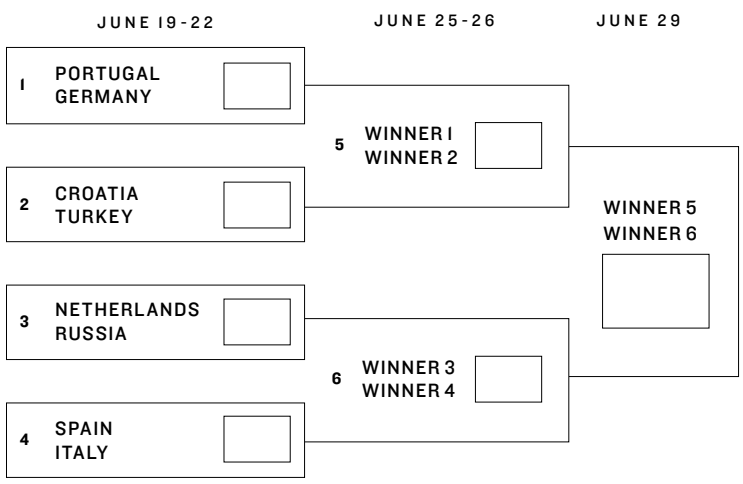

DREAM TEAM ►► THE UPS AND DOWNS OF FANTASY BASEBALL — OUTFIELDERS

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: FRED LEWIS, MARCUS THAMES, MELKY CABRERA AND RAUL IBANEZ

Best Bets: The Giants' **FRED LEWIS** isn't going to set the world on fire, but he's put together a decent season and is a pretty good fourth outfielder. During the past month, he's hit three homers, stolen six bases and batted .292, which is good for a waiver pickup. **MARCUS THAMES** seems to have a hard time getting in the lineup for the Tigers, but in his last 59 at-bats, he's hit 11 homers with a .288 batting average. Yankees outfielder **JOHNNY DAMON** won't help you in the power department, but he's been hitting .439 for the past month with seven stolen bases.

Not a Chance: **MELKY CABRERA**, another Yankee outfielder, has had almost no power this month, just like Damon. But his batting average is nearly 200 points less at .253. San Diego's **CHRIS YOUNG** is not living up to the potential he showed last year — and last year he hit .237. This past month, he's been hitting just .191. If things weren't bad enough for the Mariners, outfielder **RAUL IBANEZ** has been pretty terrible this month, hitting .216 with just one homer and 13 RBI. SCOTT A. ROSENBERG

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Sports

Phelps Enters 9 Races

Swimmer is going into trials again with goal of topping Spitz

OLYMPICS | Michael Phelps is entered in nine events at next week's U.S. Olympic swimming trials.

The six-time Olympic gold medalist plans an ambitious schedule for the eight-day trials, which begin June 29. Phelps is entered in the 100- and 200-meter freestyles, the 200 and 400 individual medleys, the 100 and 200 backstrokes, the 100 and 200 butterflys and the 400 free.

Phelps

Katie Hoff will be nearly as busy. She is entered in seven events in an attempt to make her second Olympic team.

Phelps is the world record holder in four events — the 200 free, 200 IM, 200 fly and 400 IM — all of which he set at last year's world championships in Australia.

As in 2004, Phelps' Olympic goal is to break Mark Spitz's record of seven gold medals in one Olympics.

Four years ago, Phelps qualified for the Olympics in six individual events but dropped the 200 back and swam all three relays. In Athens, he tied the record for medals with six golds and two bronzes. (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

NATIONALS (1 P.M. ON MASN) Shawn Hill is expected to start in the finale of the Nationals-Twins series in Minnesota.

EURO 2008 (2:30 P.M. ON ESPN) Portugal plays Germany in the first game of the elimination round of the European Championship.

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DOWNGRADE: "Can you smell what Dwayne is cooking?" doesn't have the same ring.

IDENTITY | Here's a news flash: The Rock is no more. It's not even Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson but merely Dwayne Johnson, regular guy, would-be action hero for the text-message set.

For us mere mortals, it's always slightly mystifying to watch celebrities and their names mutate. Madonna Ciccone to Madonna. Fabio Lanzoni to Fabio. Prince Rogers Nelson to Prince to The Artist formerly known as Prince to the unruly acronym TAFKAP.

Opting for a solo one-word stage name is like grabbing for the brass ring in celebrity-dom. It's a naked bid for icon status, a way to brand yourself like Kleenex or Xerox or Liberace. Going the other direction, however, is rare. It connotes artistic seriousness and the versatility needed for true art.

I asked Johnson about his moniker change recently, which is being touted in "Get Smart," where Johnson plays suave Agent 23, the ultimate in spies — or in Johnson's rendition, a suavely amusing send-up of the uber-agent. I guess it's hard to take an actor seriously who bills himself as "The Rock" ("The Rock" stars in Hamlet!), and the former wrestler is clearly intent on transforming himself.

Even then, "The Rock" wasn't his first incarnation. The 36-year-old, part African Canadian and part Samoan had done a stint as a college football player for the Miami Hurricanes and had been a short-lived pro player for the Calgary Stampeders. He first tried wrestling under his given name, then with a stage name of Flex Kavana. He later morphed into a baby-faced good-guy wrestler called Rocky Maivia.

In 1998, Johnson dumped those names for "The Rock," because, as he says, "I just wanted to make it on my own."

I asked Johnson what he wanted people to call him. Johnson isn't fussy like Edward Norton, who mandates that he is never, ever called Ed.

"They call me both," says Johnson. "Rock is a nickname, and it will always be. I'm fine with that. It sounds better than Cupcake."

RACHEL ABRAMOWITZ (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

Offspring's Youngest Is Born

OLIVIER LABAN-MATTEI/GETTY IMAGES

Guitarist and singer of the Offspring, Dexter Holland, rocks Paris in early June.

MUSIC | You expect a band to show some twists when it returns from a four-year absence, and in its first album since 2003, the Offspring obliges. "Rise and Fall, Rage and Grace" (released Tuesday) has plenty of brisk, sharp rock, both punk and beyond, but there are also atmospheric interludes and moments of folkish, emo-like reflection.

The veteran Southern California band also has a new producer, Bob Rock, who has moved over from the Metallica account and so might be held responsible for the ominous, metal-tinged ballad "A Lot Like Me."

Of course, the Offspring has never stayed snugly in the punk cubicle it initially was assigned. Such hits as "Come Out and Play," "Self Esteem" and "Pretty Fly (For a White Guy)" bristled with hooks and twitches and dynamics foreign to the punk playbook.

"Rise and Fall" works best when it emphasizes those features. "Let's Hear It for Rock Bottom," "Stuff Is Messed Up," "You're Gonna Go Far, Kid" and "Nothingtown" are the prime vehicles for the Offspring's engaging dynamism, while the band (joined again by guest drummer Josh Freese) is flashing an increasing pop-anthem quality that brings it close to Cheap Trick's hallowed ground. RICHARD CROMELIN (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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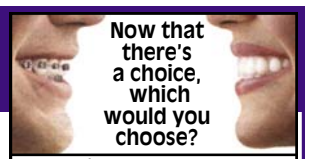

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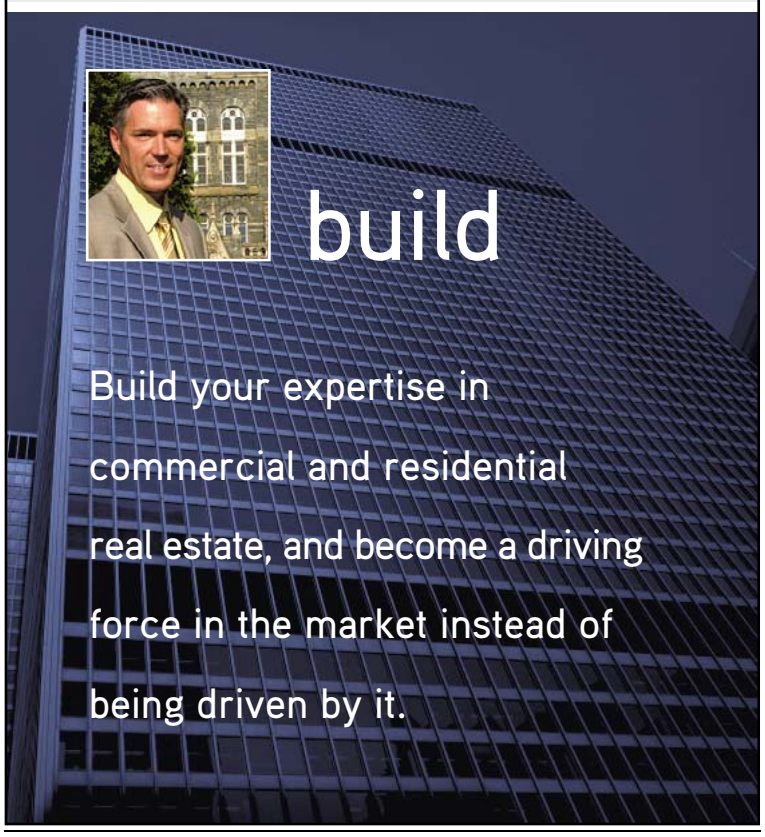

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ASTUTE OBSERVER: Along with a political tilt, McMurtry has an eye for the everyday.

Sing a Song of Dissent

James McMurtry turned Bush angst into a solid fan base

POPULARITY | James McMurtry never wrote political songs, because he didn't like listening to them much.

His exception was the music of fellow Texas native Steve Earle. When Earle released "The Revolution Starts Now" in the midst of the 2004 presidential campaign, it inspired McMurtry to pick up his pen.

The result was "We Can't Make it Here," a sneering, searing indictment of the Bush administration released online just before President Bush won a second term. He invited fans to make their own videos, making it a YouTube hit viewed more than 150,000 times and the best-known song of a 20-year musical career.

The momentum from "We Can't Make It Here" carried over to the new disc, "Just Us Kids," which topped the Americana chart for more than a month this spring.

He gets in another shot at Bush ("Cheney's Toy"), but the disc's strength lies in McMurtry's ability to draw detailed portraits in song, mostly of flawed figures too often overlooked by society.

There's the dot-com millionaire trying to cover up the emptiness inside, the lonely man isolated when a hurricane blows down his telephone lines, the crank addict living "in a cinder block cell."

He has a novelist's eye for detail, fitting them into the compact literary form of a song, and a dry vocal tone.

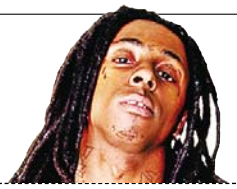
If bloodlines matter, the writing ability comes naturally: he's the son of Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Larry McMurtry ("Lonesome Dove"). James' experiences growing up, listening to the likes of Johnny Cash, influenced the kind of writer he'd become.

"I didn't want to write long-form pieces, because I haven't read a lot of long-form pieces," he said. "I listened to music. My father learned to do long-form writing because he read it. He was a voracious reader. The song was my first connection to the world beyond my living room — a mono record player."

What sealed the deal for him was sitting in the ninth row of a Kris Kristofferson concert one night.

"I got to see up close how much fun the people seemed to be having," he said, "and that's what drew me to it more than anything."

DAVID BAUDER (AP)



BIG MONEY: Lil Wayne's new album excited critics, and fans have responded in kind. In its first week on shelves, "The Carter iii" has sold more than 1 million copies. Now Wayne can have the never-ending supply of lollipops he's always wanted.

Three 6 Mafia Hustles & Flows

The Oscar-winning duo prioritize hard work and music

FOCUSED | What do you do after becoming the first black rap group to win an Academy Award for best song? If you're Three 6 Mafia, you stay focused on what brought you to the game in the first place: music.

Fresh off their first European tour, Three 6 Mafia members Jordan "Juicy J" Houston and "DJ Paul" Beauregard are anxious to spread the word stateside about their latest studio album, "The Last 2 Walk." The Hypnotize Minds/Columbia Records project bows June 24.

"We're grateful for the Oscar [for' 'It's Hard Out Here for a Pimp' from 'Hustle & Flow']," DJ Paul says during a visit to Billboard's Los Angeles office. "But we polished it, put it on the shelf and went back to the same frame of mind we've had the last 18 years."

"It's time for us to shake hands, throw back with the locals and make new friends as we promote this album," Juicy J says. "We had to get back to the main thing: music and our fans."

MICHAEL GORDON

FRESH TRACKS: DJ Paul and Juicy J will release "The Last 2 Walk" on June 24.

Produced primarily by Juicy J and DJ Paul, "The Last 2 Walk" also features guest stints by Akon, Good Charlotte, UGK and Lyfe Jennings, among others. The album's title is a reference to the group's remaining two members.

"We're the last two dudes to walk," Juicy J says of the former six-member Memphis group that became an indie force in the early '90s. "We've managed to stay true to our plan: making good music and building our label/production company. We are the two people who saw the dream. We'll never stop doing our thing."

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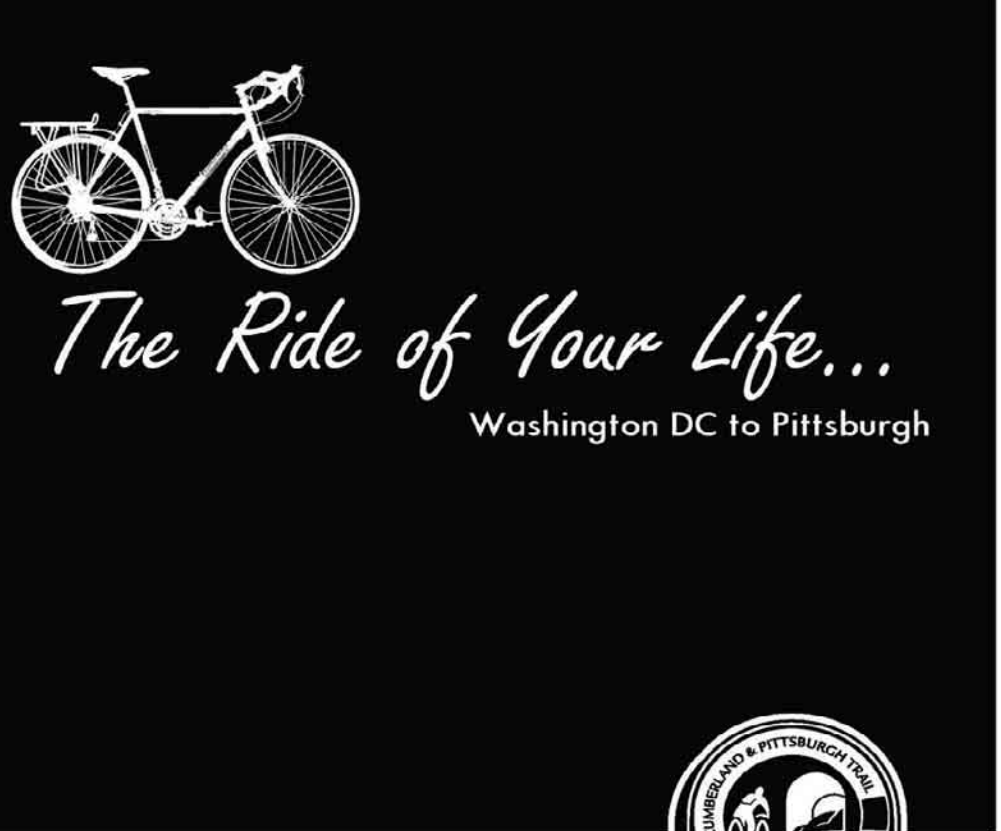

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Truth or Soap Opera?

With both 'MVP' and Penn & Teller on TV, the choice is yours

FOILS | A stint on "Dancing With the Stars" appears to be the best bet for getting your own show, but Penn Jillette co-hosted "Penn & Teller: Bull----" (10 p.m., Showtime, TV-MA) years before his brief and awkward turn around the dance floor.

"Bull----" takes a highly skeptical look at popular beliefs and debunks many cherished and politically correct myths and misconceptions. Think of it as a John Stossel segment with a sense of humor and the volume turned up, and throw in loads of obscenity and occasional nudity. Tonight's season opener looks at the convergence of feminists and religious figures in a "war" on pornography.

CLIFF LIPSON/SHOWTIME

QUITE A PAIR: Talkative Penn, left, and his silent partner Teller debunk myths tonight.

Now, an introduction to what could easily be considered the polar opposite of "Bull----." The ratings for soap operas and hockey have not exactly soared in recent years, so why not combine the two? Soapnet, the cable home to serialized melodramas, launches "MVP" (11 p.m., Soapnet), a tale of sex, death, betrayal and money surrounding the fictional Mustangs hockey franchise. The series kicks off with the accidental death of the team captain at a season-opening party. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

ON TV TONIGHT

DIVINE COMEDY
The arts-related cable network Ovation presents **DANTE'S INFERNO** (8 p.m., Ovation), a contemporary retelling of the epic poem with a combination of live action, animation and puppetry.

A ROCK AND A WORKPLACE
Jan's lawsuit puts Michael in a pickle on a rerun of **THE OFFICE** (8 p.m., NBC).

PROFESSIONAL OPINIONS
Lonny Ross and Keith Powell from "30 Rock" audition talent on **LAST COMIC STANDING** (8:30 p.m., NBC).

BLUNT-BLIGE DUET?
LIVE FROM ABBEY ROAD (10 p.m., Sundance), filmed at the legendary London recording studio, launches a second season of performances and interviews with musicians. Tonight's "Live" features Mary J. Blige, Dashboard Confessional and James Blunt.

'CLIQUES' = ORGIES
Cliques converge at the Miller's house-warming party on **SWINGTOWN** (10 p.m., CBS).

PETER KRAMER/AP

It's "D-List" as usual: flaming red Kathy Griffin and her self-deprecation.

POSSE OF FELONS
Kathy conducts a belated background check on members of her entourage on **KATHY GRIFFIN: MY LIFE ON THE D-LIST** (10 p.m., Bravo).

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Mike Myers appears on **THE DAILY SHOW** with Jon Stewart (11 p.m., Comedy Central). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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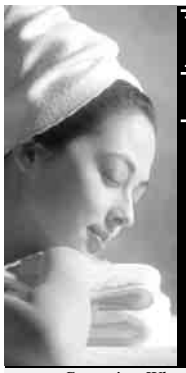

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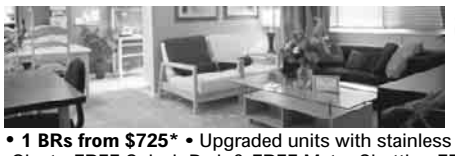

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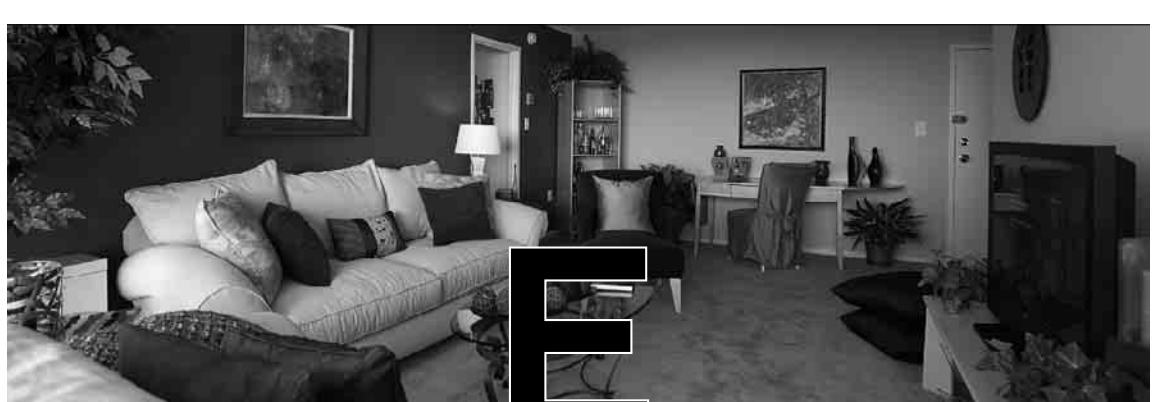

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INTELLECTUAL WORKOUT: Stella Zielecki, 88, left, and Ethel Bockman, 94, both of Manhattan, play games on Nintendo DS.

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Chester Santos has been training his brain for seven years.

At 32, he's not worried about losing his memory. He's taking advantage of a growing market in "brain fitness" spurred by aging baby boomers.

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Santos, the 2008 USA Memory Championship winner, can memorize a shuffled deck of cards in three minutes and learn 100 random words and 100 new names and faces in 15.

"People are capable of doing so much more with their brains than they think is possible," says Santos, who recently quit his software job to teach his memory techniques full-time.

The brain fitness boom might seem counterintuitive in an age when technology has eased memory stress: Cell phones store numbers, GPS systems give directions, Web sites store passwords and e-mail programs automatically recall used addresses.

Still, the brain fitness software market reached $225 million in revenues in 2007, according to a SharpBrains report published earlier this year, up from an estimated $100 million in 2005. The increase was driven only in part by Nintendo's popular Brain Age game, says Alvaro Fernandez, CEO and co-founder of SharpBrains, a market-research firm.

"This is not just a Nintendo-fueled fad," he says. "The brain fitness market passed a tipping point in 2007, thanks to the convergence of a very proactive boomer generation hitting their 60s."

Many boomers have watched their parents struggle with Alzheimers, and an estimated 10 million of them are now expected to develop the disease, according to a recent report from the Alzheimer's Association.

"People are worried," says Dr. John Hart Jr., medical science director of the Center for BrainHealth at the University of Texas at Dallas. "You have a large group of the population getting to the age where they are sort of vulnerable to degenerative neurological diseases that seem to be prevalent."

Hart says there is "reasonable evidence" that challenging your brain by learning new things can stave off the cognitive decline that comes with aging. But brain fitness programs differ from traditional learning by focusing on drills for specific cognitive abilities, such as concentration and retaining information.

Hart says there is no one brain "exercise" that is guaranteed to work for everyone.

That hasn't stopped brain fitness programs from making claims. Posit Science says its computer-based programs will "help you think faster, focus better and remember more." While some include a disclaimer, such as Cogmed Working Memory Training for kids and adults with attention deficits, many of the games do not, says Fernandez.

Some users say they feel the benefits.

Sarah Schultz, 67, of Knoxville, Md., says she can think faster because of Lumosity, an online brain fitness program that claims to "improve cognitive performance and maximize brain health through fun and engaging games." She has been doing the program once per day for the past four months.

"In my age group, everybody complains they forget, that their recall isn't good," says Schultz, a grandmother of three. "I read. I do crossword puzzles. I just felt like I needed more."

"I feel more alert," she adds. "It helps me to remember things, lists, names, faces. It really helps with recall."

Even teenagers cramming for tests are turning to brain exercises.

Raemon Matthews, a history teacher in New York City, uses some of the techniques in his curriculum and says he's seen a difference in his students' performance. SharpBrains estimates the K-12 market was worth $60 million in 2007, mostly for children with learning disabilities.

"It's a tool like any other tool," says Matthews. "Children in the 21st century are 30-second people. If you cannot grab them in that 30-second period, they become disillusioned and don't feel they are capable of grabbing it."

MEGAN K. SCOTT (AP)

JEFF CHIU/AP

Card games can help people challenge their brains to stave off cognitive decline.

LOOK out

Friday Freedom

Work

More companies are offering flexible summer schedules

Debbie Elliott got the idea to give employees time off on summer Fridays after reading a survey of benefits packages offered by her competitors.

"I saw that this other agency was doing it and I thought, 'Aha!,'" said Elliott, president of Talk PR Inc. in Wilmington, N.C.

This is the second summer Elliott will offer her nine-person staff every other Friday off. Employees are split into groups that alternate Fridays so the office remains staffed. It's an "incredibly popular" perk, she says.

Elliott's "Aha!" moment is becoming more common as "Summer Fridays" gains popularity. As workers look for more balance in their lives and companies try to retain skilled employees, half-days or full days off on summer Fridays are among the flexible schedules gaining acceptance.

LOGAN WALLACE/AP

Debbie Elliott brings her dog to work at Talk PR in Wilmington, N.C., on a Friday.

This summer has seen a jump in Summer Fridays, along with telecommuting and four-day weeks, said John Challenger, CEO of Challenger, Gray & Christmas, a Chicago-based outplacement firm.

With gas prices coasting past $4 per gallon, a Friday off — or even a chance to leave early and beat the weekend rush hour — can be a powerful employee incentive.

A survey released by executive recruiter Robert Half International found 44 percent of workers have adjusted their work arrangements because of high gas prices; 26 percent of them reported working fewer days per week.

And the economic slowdown can make the choice of doing Summer Fridays easier for employers, said Challenger.

"It seems like a win-win, with gas prices high and employees seeking work-life balance," he said.

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Bruce Law, president of Salt Lake City-based Sprout Marketing, introduced Summer Fridays when he founded the marketing outsourcing company six years ago and recommends it to his clients as a morale booster. His 15 employees leave at 1 p.m. on Fridays until the end of August.

"It has allowed us to keep our compensation for employees at a reasonable level ... having a positive work environment," he said.

But if management hasn't come to that conclusion, how does an employee ask?

First, choose the right champion, said Cindy Ventrice, author of "Make Their Day! Employee Recognition That Works." An employee with performance issues would not be the right person. Find a colleague who's in better standing to present the proposal.

And pick your battles, say the experts. Don't go in with a full menu of requests that will make you look like a slacker.

"If somebody is asking for this and they're also asking for their dry cleaning to be picked up and an on-site manicurist and a 20 percent raise, ... the issue is this person is always looking for the same thing: Give an inch and take a mile," said Constance Dierickx, senior consultant at RHR International Co., a management psychologists group in Atlanta.

Employees should also make clear that they will still be accessible and will make up the time, said Tom Musbach, managing editor at Yahoo HotJobs, an online career resource.

Some companies extend workdays in the summer to make up for the time off on Fridays, and most ask employees to keep their cellphones on in case they're needed.

"You have to realize you have to give something to get something," Musbach said. MERCEDES M. CARDONA (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Partly sunny	Partly cloudy	Partly sunny	Partly sunny	Parly sunny, t-storms possible	Partly sunny, a t-storm possible
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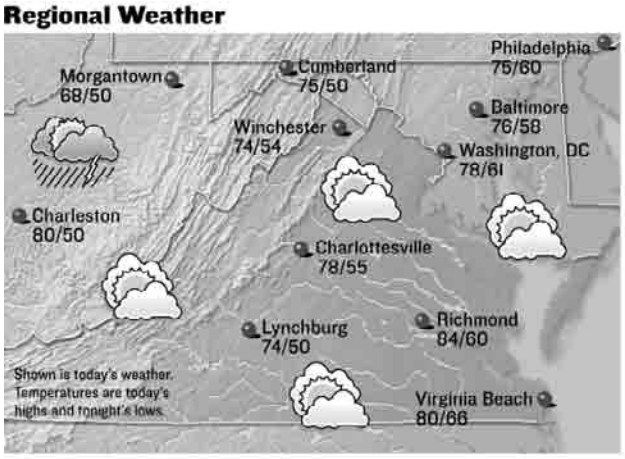
Regional Weather



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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Wed.

Temperature

High	80°
Low	58°
Normal high	85°
Normal low	66°
Average humidity	42%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	3.77"
Normal month to date	1.89"
Year to date	27.69"
Last year to date	15.08"
Normal year to date	18.03"

For up-to-the-minute weather, see: washingtonpost.com/weather

Regional Forecast

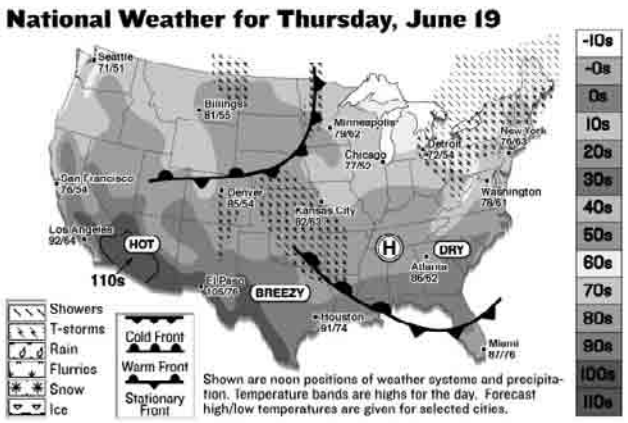
D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny. High 78. Wind northwest 6-12 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 61. Wind southwest 4-8 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	5:43 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:36 p.m.
Moonrise today	9:47 p.m.
Moonset today	6:07 a.m.

Last	New	First	Full
June 26	July 2	July 10	July 18

National Weather for Thursday, June 19



National Cities

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Atlanta	86/62/s	85/66/t
Boston	73/58/pc	75/61/t
Chicago	77/52/s	82/58/pc
Dallas	86/73/t	92/71/t
Denver	85/54/t	89/56/t
Honolulu	87/75/sh	87/75/s
Los Angeles	92/64/s	94/64/s
Miami	87/76/t	90/76/t
New York City	76/63/t	79/67/t
Orlando	92/72/t	93/72/t
Seattle	71/51/c	75/55/c

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	72/55/sh	66/52/c
Athens	93/73/s	90/74/s
Berlin	81/58/pc	75/54/pc
Buenos Aires	52/46/r	52/46/r
Calgary	67/45/pc	71/50/pc
Dublin	63/48/sh	61/46/pc
Geneva	80/59/pc	75/59/pc
Moscow	72/52/pc	75/57/c
Rome	83/63/s	83/61/s
Sydney	66/54/t	66/53/r
Tokyo	72/63/r	73/64/t

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice

Styles | Look out

JOEL SAGET/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

LADIES IN RED: "Valentino, Themes and Variations" tracks the Italian designer's trajectory from the 1950s through his final collection, shown this past January.

Top Class Tribute

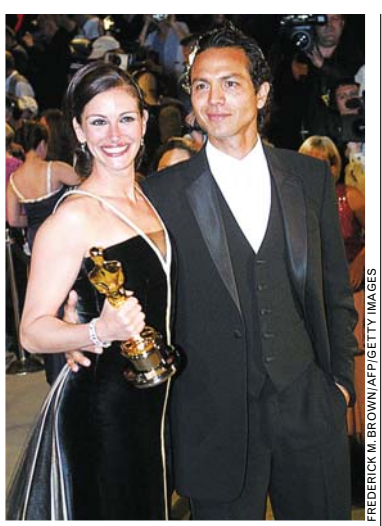
A retrospective of Valentino sweeps Paris off its feet

Those in search of a crash course in understanding haute couture, its sense of timeless refinement and opulent self-indulgence should get themselves over to the rather remarkable retrospective of Valentino that opens to the public on Tuesday in Paris.

Titled "Valentino, Themes and Variations," the 14-week show covers the couturier's career since launching his own house in the 1950s.

"I am very touched by all the love shown to me by Paris, the city where I learned my profession," Valentino said this weekend in a personal tour, referring to his Legion of Honor, honorary citizenship of the French capital and now lavish retrospective.

Valentino began his professional career in the City of Light back in 1952, when he was hired by Greek couturier Jean Desses after finishing his diploma from the prestigious fashion school Ecole of the Chambre Syndicale. Though his first signature came in 1959 in his native Italy, on opening his house at 11 via Condotti in Rome. The designer staged his final show on January 23, 2008, and many pieces from that ultimate collection feature in this retrospective.



FREDERICK M. BROWN/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Valentino designed Julia Roberts' black-and-ecru 2001 Oscar dress.

Edited elegantly by curator by Pamela Golbin, the retrospective cannily captures key themes in the designer's oeuvre. "Valentino remained loyal to the codes he established at the very beginning of his career, so it makes more sense to focus on those rather than a chronological history," argued Golbin.

One, inevitably, gets a phalanx of Valentino's signature red cocktails, but also a superb Animalia section, where a Noah's ark of animal prints appear, and great passages on geometry and flowers. There's even the famed lace dress Jackie Kennedy wore when she wed Aristotle Onassis.

What's most impressive is the way gowns created four decades ago look like they were made last week, and how dresses made by Valentino in the 1960s strike one as far better versions of recent copies.

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>
> **PAMELA GOLBIN**, CURATOR

A case in point would be a splendid black organza dress worn by Kennedy. "Doesn't she look marvelous," muses Valentino, hovering before the dress, which, like all the pieces, is presented inside glass cages on a slanting lunar gray landscape.

"And there's Julia [Roberts] getting her Academy Award," beams the couturier, as he casts an admiring glance at the black flared column dress she wore in 2001 for her "Erin Brockovich" win.

Open until Sept. 21, the show offers a unique take on high fashion, and one that links each look to a historical moment; the latest tour de force by a couturier who has retiedbut certainly not gone away.

GODFREY DEENY (FASHION WIRE DAILY)

Skin Care

The Bright Stuff

We consider a "mask" — or "masque," as the fancier retailers like to say — to be something that takes effort to remove. Like peeling, or vigorous scrubbing, or a chisel. Kiehl's **BRIGHTENING BOTANICAL HYDRATING MASK** ($40, Kiehl's.com) is more like lotion that you let dry, then gently rinse away. It's pleasant, however, and soothing, and virtually unscented, which is nice for any product that's going to sit on your face for 15 minutes. Skin wasn't brighter, exactly, but it was smoother.

HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)

Skin Care

An Odd Number

There is doubtlessly a genius business explanation for why an SPF of 20 would be appealing. Perhaps market research showed that 15 is too reckless, but 30 too prudish? We've always found the 20 designation discomfiting — it's neither here nor there, like quarks, or Purgatory. Despite the anxiety produced by L'Occitane's **ULTRA MOISTURIZING FLUID SPF 20** ($30, Usa.loccitane.com), we found it to be a silky and fragrant way to get just a tad more burned than with a 15. It smells strongly of baby powder, claims to be 5 percent shea butter, and comes in a cool metallic tube. But if the number was going to be weird, they should have just gone for 17.5. H.J.M.

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SOUND BETS

Kiss Me, Kiss Me, Kiss Me

We're expanding our Sound Bets postings to include reviews and commentary on the videos, and we're kicking off the occasional series with a rundown of the Cure's recent single "The Only One." Christopher Porter digs into Robert Smith's lipstick-smeared psyche. | ONLINE NOW

LIVE REVIEW

Eff On

The F Yeah Fest is an annual music/comedy/art festival held in Los Angeles. It's also a traveling circus this summer, and it pulled into the Black Cat on Wednesday. Meg Zamula went to witness Dan Deacon, Matt & Kim, the Death Set and more. | COMING UP

HAIL TO THE CHEF

Salt in the Wounds

There's no cooking on the last episode of "Top Chef Chicago." Instead, there's a post-finale reunion that will allow Richard to lament and Stephanie to gloat, and will provide a forum for people to hate on Lisa. Karmah Elmusa recaps the most cutting remarks. | COMING UP

comment board

"I drink tap water almost all the time. I believe that it is just as safe as bottled water and a whole lot less expensive."

COMMENTER NANCY, WHO ADDED, "BESIDES, WASN'T THERE A NEWS ITEM A FEW YEARS AGO THAT SOME COMPANY WAS ACTUALLY BOTTLING TAP WATER TO SELL?"

"I have never drank D.C. [tap] water. It smells like rotten eggs sometimes, and other times like a public pool [in the summer.]"

COMMENTER AK, WHO ADDED, "I BARELY WANT TO BATHE IN THIS WATER, BUT RIGGING A SHOWER TO USE FILTERED WATER IS KIND OF EXPENSIVE, SO I LIVE WITH IT."

"'There's a sucker born every minute' is a bit of an understatement when you consider how many people pay for what is available for free. Consider for a moment what 'Evian' spells backward."

COMMENTER MATT, RESPONDING TO WEDNESDAY' POLL CENTER QUESTION, "DO YOU TRUST LOCAL TAP WATER ENOUGH TO DRINK IT INSTEAD OF BOTTLED WATER?"

poll center

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AS OF 5 P.M.

DO YOU TRUST LOCAL TAP WATER ENOUGH TO DRINK IT INSTEAD OF BOTTLED WATER?

66% YES

24% NO

SEE HOW YOUR METRO STATION VOTED AT READEXPRESS.COM/POLLCENTER.PHP

Blog LOG

"So much money has been put into cleaning our tap water, so why put more money into costly bottled water and contribute to our dumps?"

LIFEOFRED.WORDPRESS.COM LEARNED THAT SOME PLASTICS ARE GREENER THAN OTHERS, ADDING, "I'M DISAPPOINTED THE ENVIRONMENTAL POINT SEEMS TO HAVE GONE UNMENTIONED."

KEVIN C. COX/GETTY IMAGES

"At last, Boston's long-suffering fans — who hadn't celebrated a championship in almost eight months — can savor a sports title."

WITHLEATHER.COM IS APPARENTLY ENVIOUS OF BOSTON SPORTS FANS, ADDING, "FACED WITH A WIN-OR-GO-HOME CHANCE TO FORCE A GAME 7, [THE LAKERS] OPTED INSTEAD TO JUST NOT SHOW UP."

"I CANCELED my membership and have a month to go until my profile comes down. All of a sudden, all these 'guys' are winking at me and contacting me via Facebook. How odd."

007INAFRICA.BLOGSPOT.COM IS FINALLY GETTING RESPONSES TO HER MATCH.COM ACCOUNT IMMEDIATELY AFTER SHE DECIDED SHE DIDN'T WANT IT ANYMORE.

"I CAN'T HELP but note the irony of the Kennedy Center's awarding its prestigious comedy award to an artist best known for his bit on the 'Seven Dirty Words' you can't say on television, when they wouldn't allow Lewis Black [in] because he [cursed] too much."

DC.METBLOGS.COM MAKES AN INTERESTING OBSERVATION ABOUT GEORGE CARLIN'S RECEIVING THE MARK TWAIN PRIZE.

"I WAS WATCHING TV last night when I saw something that simultaneously intrigued me and chilled me to my soul. It was a commercial for Michelob Ultra Fruit Infused Beer."

JORDANBAKER.BLOGSPOT.COM CAN'T DECIDE WHETHER SHE'S HORRIFIED OR EXCITED ABOUT THIS ALCOHOLIC BLEND.

Discussions

Alex Gibney

Award-winning documentary filmmaker **ALEX GIBNEY** was online Wednesday to answer questions about his most recent film, "Gonzo: The Life and Work of Dr. Hunter S. Thompson."

Before you approached your documentary of Hunter S. Thompson, what were your prior opinions of him, his writings and his life?

I like Hunter's writing. I remember reading it in college and being impressed and transported by it. It was so fresh and so new and so funny. I lost track of Hunter in his later years, but I took note when he committed suicide, and that haunted and intrigued me, so it seemed an interesting subject to take on.

What's the biggest misconception people have about Hunter S. Thompson?

The biggest misconception that people have is that he always wrote while under the influence of drugs. For much of his career, he was a very disciplined writer who paid great attention to his craft. While the drugs may have loosened him up and allowed him to free-associate early on, like Charlie Parker, he generally wrote well despite the drugs, rather than because of them.

Why do you think Thompson, a writer/journalist who took things to the absolute edge of reason and sanity, continued to have such a wide appeal to many mainstream Americans even after 40 years?

I think Hunter Thompson embodied the best and worst of America. Our highs and lows, our sense of possibility, and the fear and loathing that lurks in all of us. But he chronicled those contradictions with such humor and fun, and he lived such a wild, outrageous life, that all of us were happy to watch his journey.

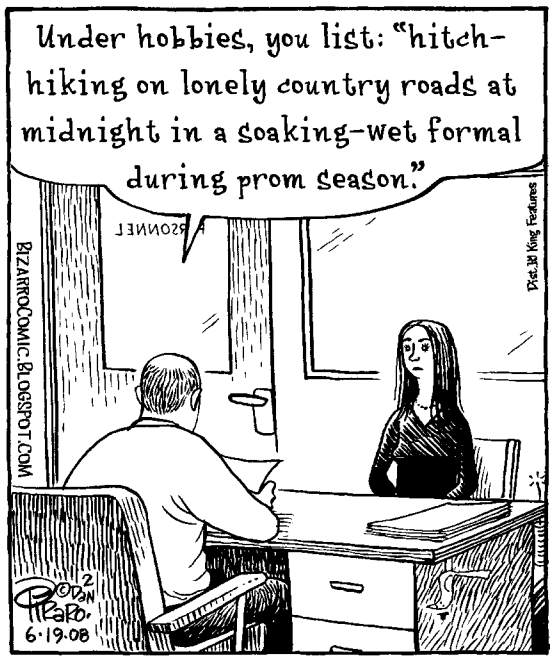
TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS: Marc Fisher looks at Bethesda's battle over housing for the homeless, and D.C.'s anti-crime checkpoints at noon. | **washingtonpost.com/discussions.**

DO

GET READY TO SHELL OUT AN EXTRA DOLLAR FOR CABS, ARLINGTON. The Arlington County Board approved a $1 surcharge Tuesday to help drivers offset the rising cost of gasoline, according to WTOP. The change will be in place for 60 days unless re-enacted by the board on a non-emergency basis.

Look out

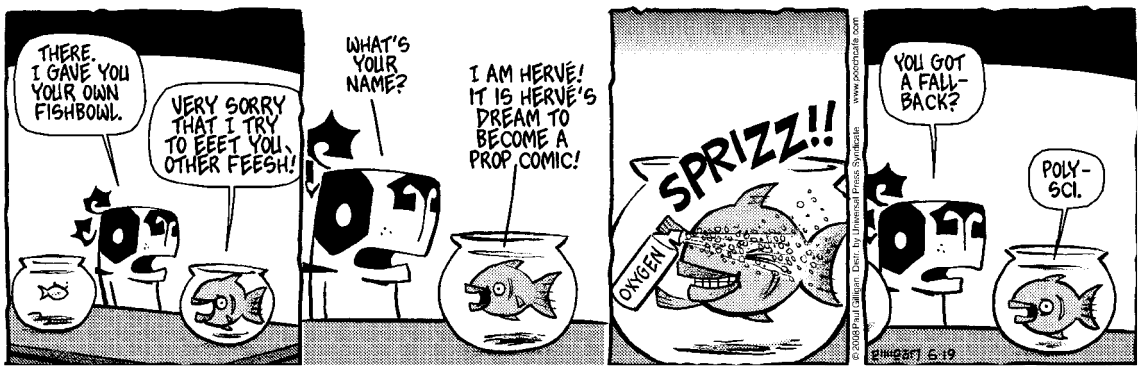
Bizarro | *Dan Piraro*



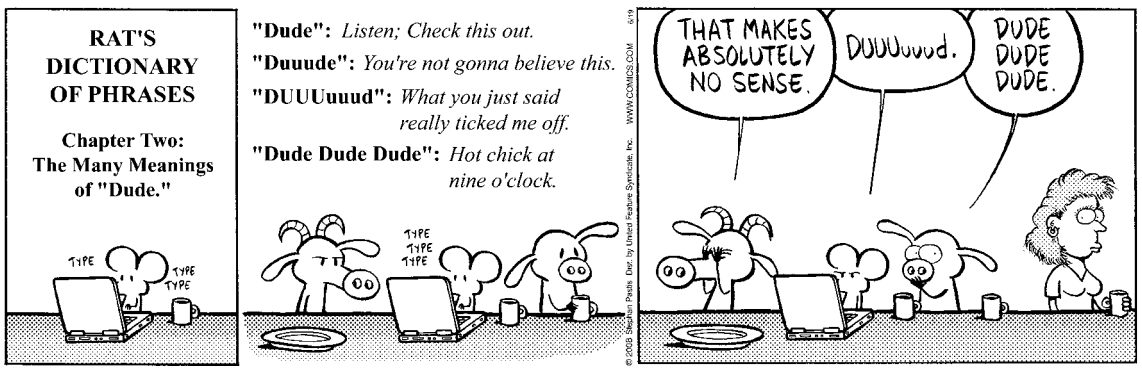
Cornered | *Mike Baldwin*

"I've got it made in the shade. What worries me is sunshine."

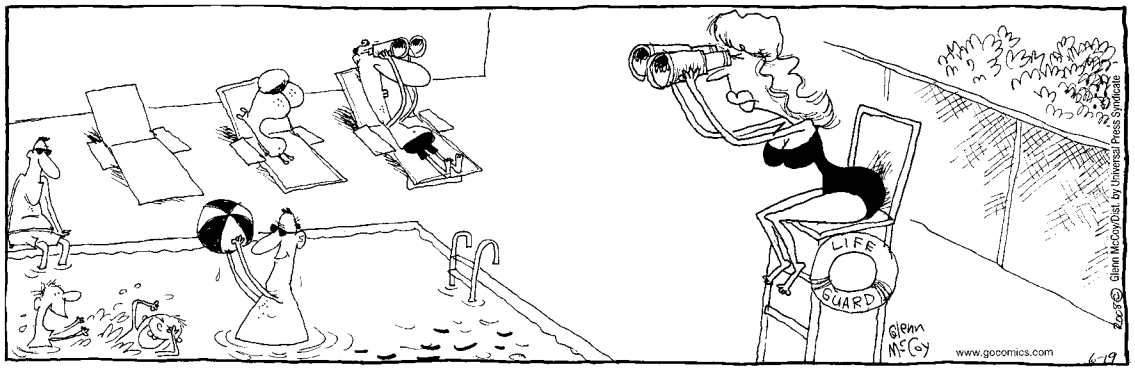
Pooch Cafe | *Paul Gilligan*



Pearls Before Swine | *Stephan Pastis*



The Duplex | *Glenn McCoy*



Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today is the day to take advantage of your personal standing. Certain privileges should be open to you and you alone.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may want to take some time to recuperate from a recent physical or emotional shock. A friend proves himself to be faithful and caring.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You should be able to cash in as a result of increased communication and the willingness to let bygones be bygones.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You will be quick to condemn others for those things that you are guilty of at this time. It may be time to clarify your own perspective.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You'll be in the midst of something unusual and perhaps even threatening before you know it. Trust your instincts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Keep self-indulgence to a minimum and you should able to see things as clearly as possible. You deserve to be honest with yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) The completion of a personal cycle is at hand — but there are one or two loose ends you must be sure to tie up before you move on.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) The time has come for you to stop making excuses and begin making amends. Others are depending on you for more than you are currently providing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You are likely to attract considerable attention. Strength and stamina are reaching a peak. You can take on more responsibility.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You mustn't let secondary or peripheral activities sap your strength or erode your enthusiasm for those bigger things you have in store.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You're not about to be persuaded of anything against your will. You are strong and confident, and may at times be too aggressive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Capricorn natives are most likely to express surprise or dissatisfaction as a result of your words or actions. Increase communication.

Letters

County Music Lacks Diversity

ANYONE WHO DOESN'T know who Missy Elliot or Coldplay are has been living under a rock ("Boo for Country Music Jab," June 18). Anyone who doesn't know who Sara Evans or "Whats-her-face?" is has moved out from under that rock to a neighborhood populated with more than one ethnic group. Missy and the boys from Coldplay garner national coverage. They are also, respectively, black and British. When was the last time a black or British country musician charted, or even existed for that matter? Country music stars are a dime a dozen most of the time, considering it doesn't take much to master a style that hasn't changed significantly in decades.

—ARIC MAIDEN
Washington, D.C.

Correction:

In an interview with Billboard printed in Tuesday's Express, Missy Elliot misspoke about a D.C. go-go band's name. She was referring to Rare Essence, not Red Essence.

WRITE TO EXPRESS: Include name, hometown and telephone number. Submissions may be edited. E-mail to inbox@readexpress.com or mail to Express Letters, PO Box 17370, Arlington, VA 22216.

Today in History

1862 Slavery is outlawed in U.S. territories.

1865 Union troops led by Maj. Gen. Gordon Granger arrive in Galveston, Texas, with news that the Civil War is over and that all remaining slaves in Texas are free. (This event is celebrated as "Juneteenth.")

1910 Father's Day is celebrated for the first time, in Spokane, Wash.

1953 Julius Rosenberg, 35, and his wife, Ethel, 37, convicted of conspiring to pass U.S. atomic secrets to the Soviet Union, are executed at Sing Sing prison in Ossining, N.Y.

1986 University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias, a first-round draft pick of the Boston Celtics', suffers a fatal cocaine-induced seizure.

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Look out | People

DAMIAN DOVARGANES/AP

Normally, we'd make fun of his smile.

HELPING

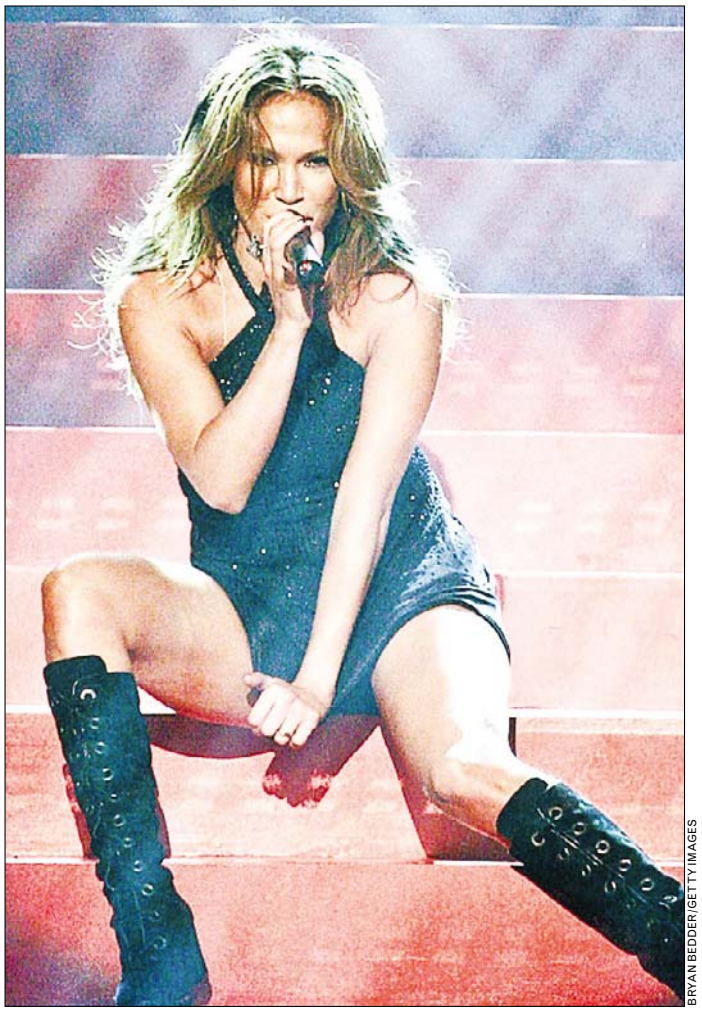
Singer's Charity Helps Families of Kids With Cancer

TOBY KEITH's annual fundraiser for families of children with cancer raised $709,000 this year. The money goes to Ally's House, started after original band member Scott Webb's daughter died of kidney cancer. Five years of private concerts, auctions and golf tournaments have raised more than $2.3 million. (AP)

HOTTIES

He's Like Justin Timberlake To Female Indie Film Snobs

JAVIER BARDEM has won Spain's 2008 national film award, an honor given annually by the Culture Ministry. Bardem was selected for the $46,500 prize for "goals achieved throughout a long career." The ministry, in a statement Wednesday, highlighted the actor's "defense of the acting profession and a constant commitment to Spanish cinema." Bardem won a best supporting actor Oscar for "No Country for Old Men." (AP)



BRYAN BEDDER/GETTY IMAGES

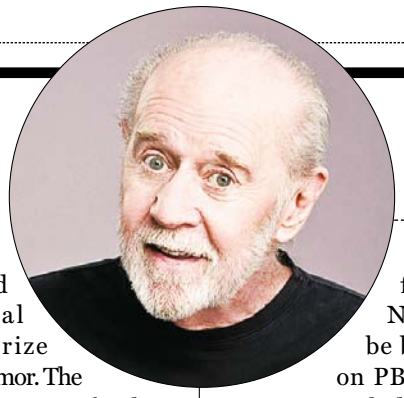
BOOKING

Flattery Works

Students at a Staten Island, New York, elementary school got a special performance Tuesday from **JENNIFER LOPEZ**. Teacher Kathy Amati showed the video for Lopez's "Let's Get Loud" to the students at P.S. 37, who learned the lyrics and the dance moves. With their teacher's encouragement, they wrote to Lopez, hoping for pictures or an autograph. Instead, the singer-actress performed "Let's Get Loud" at their graduation ceremony. (AP)

ROBBED

Dane Cook Passed Over Once Again

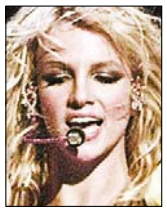


This guy hasn't even hosted the Oscars!

GEORGE CARLIN will be awarded the 11th annual Mark Twain Prize for American Humor. The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts announced Tuesday that Carlin will be honored for his 50-year career as a stand-up comedian, writer and actor. The center will salute Carlin at a tribute performance by formercolleagues Nov. 10, which will be broadcast later on PBS. Past recipients include Billy Crystal, Whoopi Goldberg and Steve Martin. Kennedy Center Chairman Stephen Schwarzman says Carlin makes people laugh but also makes them think. (AP)

MOVING

Bad Memories, Homeowners Association Drive Brit Away



It will be a bit longer before the court begins to sort out **BRITNEY SPEARS**' finances, but she may be getting a new ZIP code. A Los Angeles court commissioner agreed to allow Spears' representatives to sell her home, away from which authorities have twice escorted her. The decision required a court's approval because Spears' finances remain under the control of her father. (AP)

LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS

'Life Goes On' Actress Was Also a Broadway Star

PATTI LUPONE, known for her Tony Award-winning roles in "Gypsy" and "Evita," is working on a memoir, tentatively scheduled for 2010 by Harmony Books. According to the publisher, she will write about her whole life, "From her beginnings in Northport, Long Island, where she discovered that being onstage was the one place she couldn't get into trouble, she takes us on the roller-coaster of professional highs ... and emotional lows (her humiliating firing from 'Sunset Boulevard,' nightclub work in the Catskills)." (AP)

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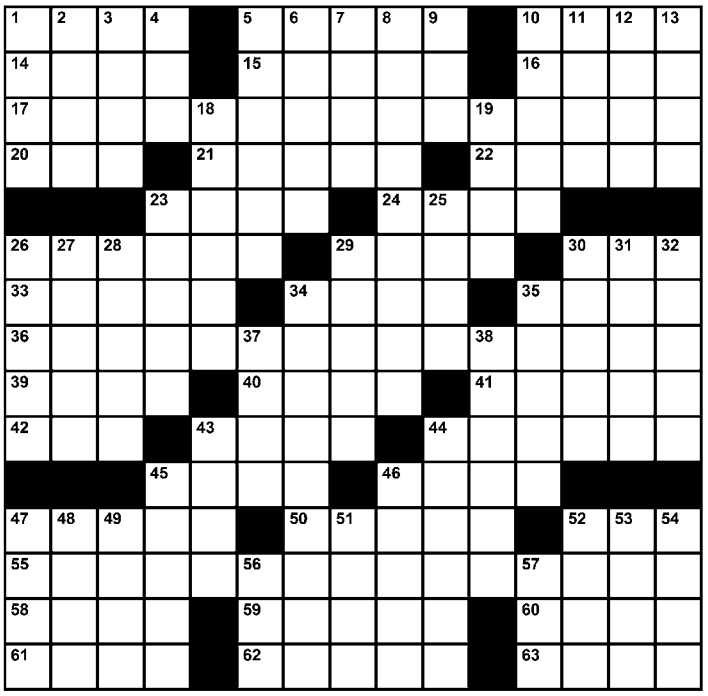

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5 Alternative to contacts
10 "The Last Emperor" actress Joan
14 Apartment listing datum
15 A little more than a quart, to a Brit
16 Human genus
17 Some things are revealed on this
20 It'll cover some ground
21 Peeper parts
22 Contest mail-in
23 Was a leadfoot
24 Showed disdain
26 Attach firmly
29 Acronym on some police jackets
30 Unit of pressure (Abbr.)
33 Utopian
34 Architect's diagram
35 Room freshener?
36 Not to be shown to anyone else
39 Dyne-centimeters
40 Nein and nyet
41 Type of wave
42 "What did I tell you?"
43 Catcher of a fly
44 Constantly annoy
45 Construction location
46 Abominate
47 Out of dreamland
50 Phonograph needles
52 One of Goodall's group
55 Place for secretive maneuvers
58 Ran on washday
59 Last words of Burgess' "Purple Cow"
60 At one's peak?
61 Some bark beetle targets
62 Orderly grouping
63 Itsy-bitsy

DOWN
1 Staffs
2 "Milk's favorite cookie," according to ads
3 It's often rooted out
4 Bummed
5 Oscar Madison, for one
6 Pointed
7 "Empedocles on ___" (Arnold poem)
8 Diagonally
9 Add a patch to, perhaps
10 Monk's monotone
11 Art Linkletter or Merv Griffin role
12 High guy in Dubai
13 Inclined to listen in
18 Presley's birthplace
19 Ready for the sack
23 Corset inserts
25 Sheet of postage stamps
26 Piccolos' cousins
27 Venerate
28 Twilled fabric
29 Ugly weather matter
30 World Wildlife Fund's symbol
31 George Eliot novel, "___ Marner"
32 Pastoral poems (Var.)
34 Member of the mob?
35 Silk with a wavy pattern
37 Course division
38 Cling cause
43 Demeanor
44 Admiral nicknamed Bull
45 Loses traction
46 Carnivorous cackler
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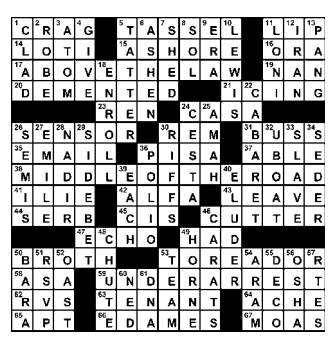

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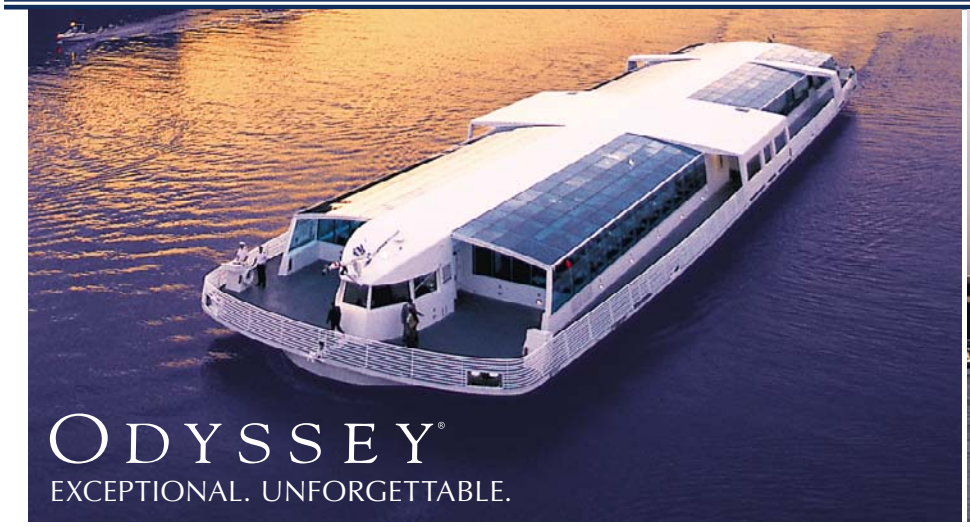

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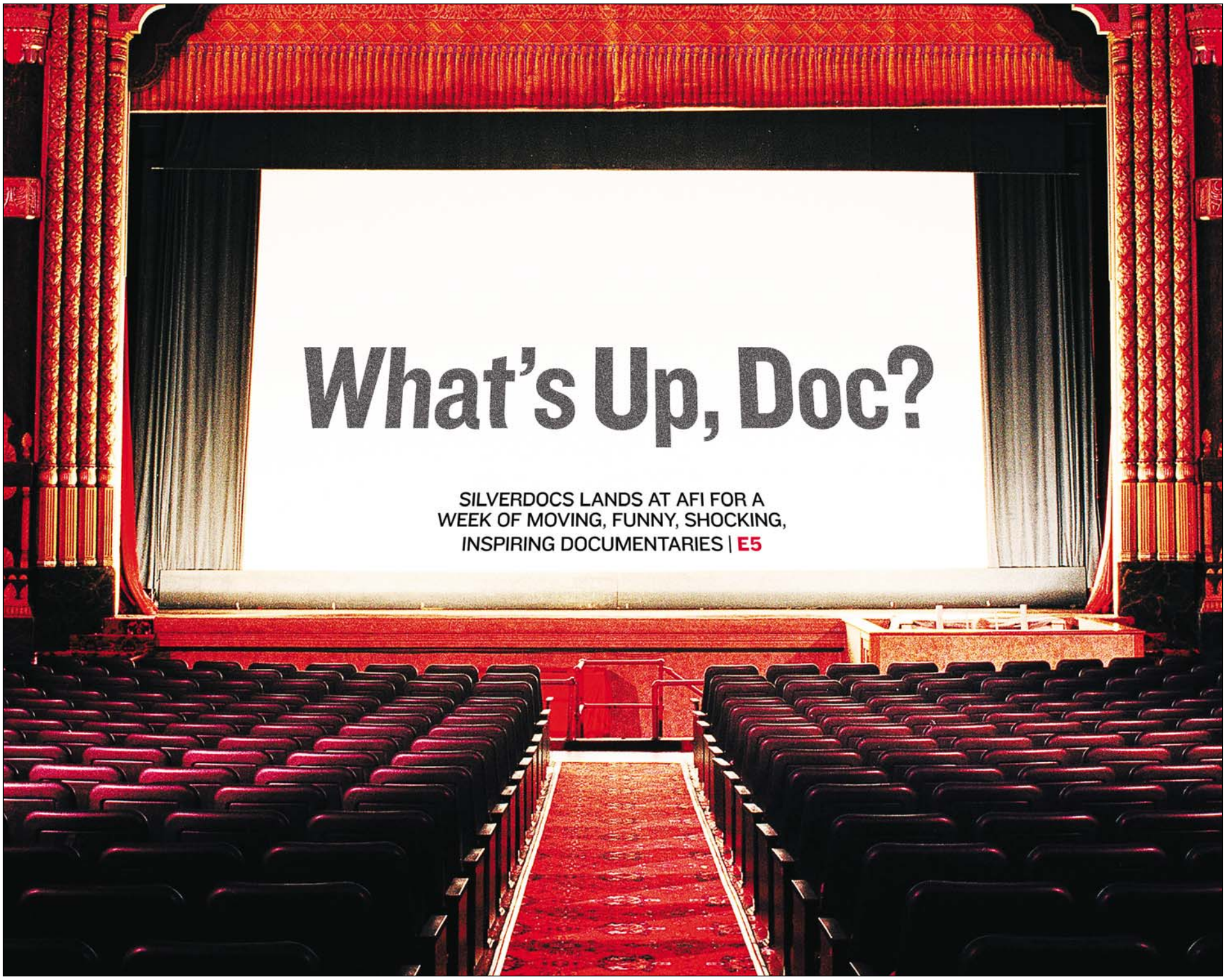

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NAME: Tonya Jordan
GIG: Curator of 'The Funk Aesthetic: Chocolate Coated, Freaky and Habit Forming'

FUNK DEFINED a generation with psychedelic clothes, outer-space attitude and a big-bottomed groove that attracted masses of phreaking partygoers. It has slipped off the radar of late —or at least the radio — but a new exhibit, "The Funk Aesthetic: Chocolate Coated, Freaky & Habit Forming," at H&F Fine Arts celebrates the exuberant sound and its attendant psychology through visual art. Curator Tonya Jordan talked with us about the seductive title and the eye-catching works that give funk new life.

What inspired the title?
The exhibit came together as an idea about a year ago. ... I was a teenager in the '80s when funk was at its height. On a day very much like today, hot and humid, I popped a tape into my car and listened to Parliament's "P. Funk (Wants To Get Funked Up)." There's a character called Sir Lollipop that comes on and says, "Chocolate coated, freaky and habit forming." Those four words absolutely encapsulated what funk is to me and it seemed like the perfect title.

Is there a piece that you think sums up the show?
There's a digital photography piece by Frank Will Thomas with a black man's smile, and he has a grill. On the top it says "Black," and on the bottom it says "Power." He's making a comment on the whole "bling" phenomenon and on the advertising and consumption of African-Americans.

How did author Thomas T. Stanley become involved in the exhibit?
We were in a band together in the '90s called Noumenal Lingam. ... I don't know where in Thomas' brain he pulled that out of; Thomas is a trippy dude. But for the show, he's an adviser. He put me in touch with the right people.

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FREAK OUT: Alexis Peskine's "Once Hiropon a Time" is one of H&F's funky works.

Do visitors need prior knowledge to understand and enjoy this exhibit?
P. Funk has a saying: "Free your mind and your ass will follow." I don't know if they were the first to say it, but it stuck and it makes sense. If they come in with an open mind, the work will speak for itself.

Do you think "The Funk Aesthetic" will help to reawaken the movement?
I think [funk has] been often overlooked, and I think it's still alive and growing. It's definitely influenced so much of music today, and I really do think that rap would not exist without funk.

> "'Chocolate coated, freaky and habit forming' ... encapsulated what funk is to me."

What do you want people to walk away from the exhibition with?
I want people to walk away with a sense of nostalgia, a sense of the fact that funk music is a continuum and ... it is continuing to evolve in a very positive way. I really just want people to walk away uplifted.

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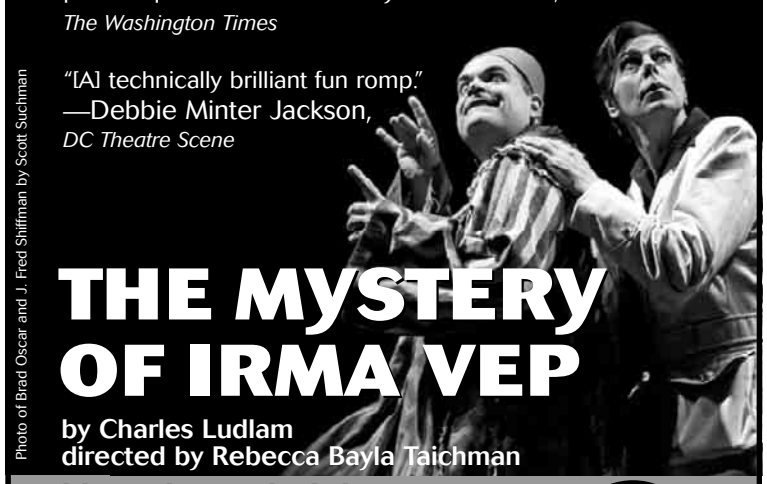

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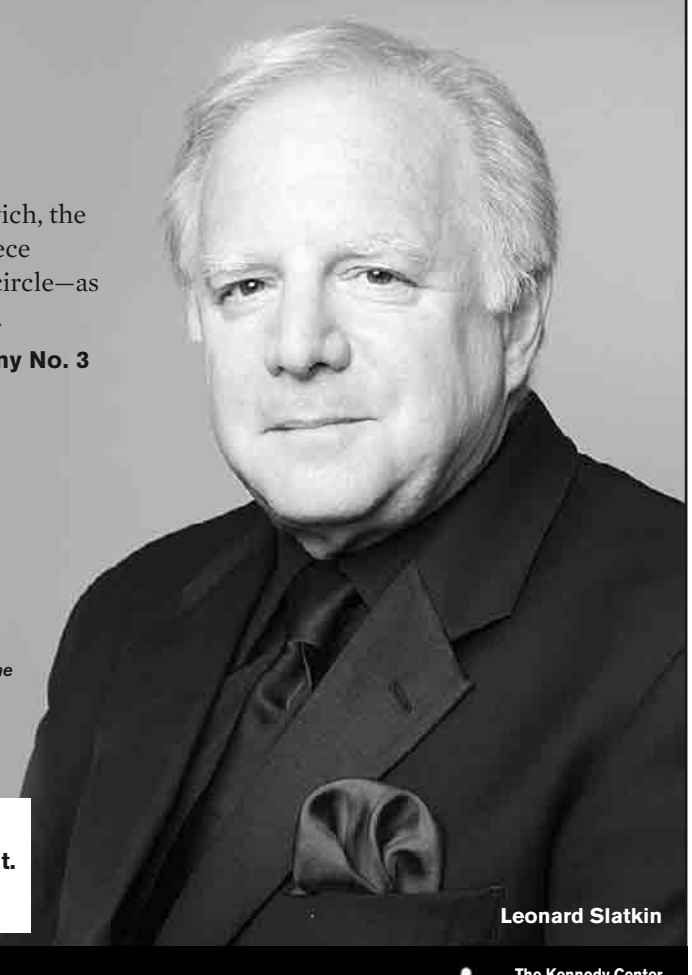

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This Is a True Story

This year's Silverdocs slate is the festival's most compelling yet

FILM | For all the talk of Silver Spring's being revitalized, there still aren't a lot of reasons for people to venture out of the District orVirginia to enjoy the scene.

The AFI Silver Theatre is an exception to the Red Lobsters of Silver Spring's chain-dominated downtown, and its annual Silverdocs documentary film festival is the cinema's giant diamond tiara.

> "What they're doing is ... incredibly important for nonfiction films."
>
> **TED LEONSIS**, FILM PRODUCER

Silverdocs has been expanded to a week — it started on Monday — but the number of films (about 100) remains the same, meaning more screenings have been added for certain movies.

Washington Capitals owner and documentary film producer Ted Leonsis might be relatively new to the cinema scene, but the well-connected gent knows how special Silverdocs has become.

"What they're doing is very, very needed. ... It's incredibly important for nonfiction films," said last year's Silverdocs keynote speaker. "It's top tier. I would say Sundance, Tribeca, Silverdocs ... and South by Southwest, those are the ones that are all mentioned very highly" among American film festivals.

Leonsis' latest production, "Kicking It," screens at Silverdocs (Sat., 11:30 a.m.) before it opens in D.C. on June 27. Directed by local Emmy- and Peabody-winning filmmaker Susan Koch, "Kicking It" covers the 2006 Homeless World Cup held in Cape Town, South Africa.

The compelling flick combines the drama of sport with the harsh realities of the homeless players who've trekked from across the world to participate in this potentially life-changing soccer competition.

Several other Washington-area filmmakers' work will appear at Silverdocs, too, including director Karim Chrobog's "War Child," which profiles Sudanese child-soldier-turned-rap-artist Emmanuel Jai (Thu., 11:30 a.m.), and "A Powerful Noise" (Fri., 5:15 p.m.) — executive-produced by BET co-founder Sheila Johnson — which fo.llows three women from Vietnam, Serbia and Mali who are making a difference in their communities.

There are also D.C.-Baltimore-related films, including "Kassim the Dream" (Fri., 10 p.m.; Sun, 5:15 p.m.) — which covers the journey of Ugandan child-soldier-turned-boxing-champ Kassim Ouma, who trained at Virginia's Arlington Boxing Club — the short "You Cannot Hide From Allah" (Sat., 11:30 a.m.) — featuring former D.C. driver Ihsan Khan, who won a $54 million lottery jackpot and returned to his village in Pakistan to become mayor — and "Hard Times at Douglas High" (Fri. 2p.m.), which chronicles a year at Baltimore's Frederick Douglass High School.

"Hard Times" was directed by Alan and Susan Raymond, the pioneering documentarians whose "An American Family" was a "reality TV" smash in 1973. The entire series, plus two specials — 14 hours in all — will be screened during Silverdocs, culminating in a panel session (Sat., 12:30 p.m.) with the filmmakers.

Surprisingly, the Raymonds' work has never been in the six-year-old festival.

"This is our first time," Susan Raymond said. "We're very happy to be in Silverdocs; it's really thrilling for us." CHRISTOPHER PORTER (EXPRESS)

→ *AFI Silver, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; through Mon.; 877-362-7849; silverdocs.com. (Silver Spring)*

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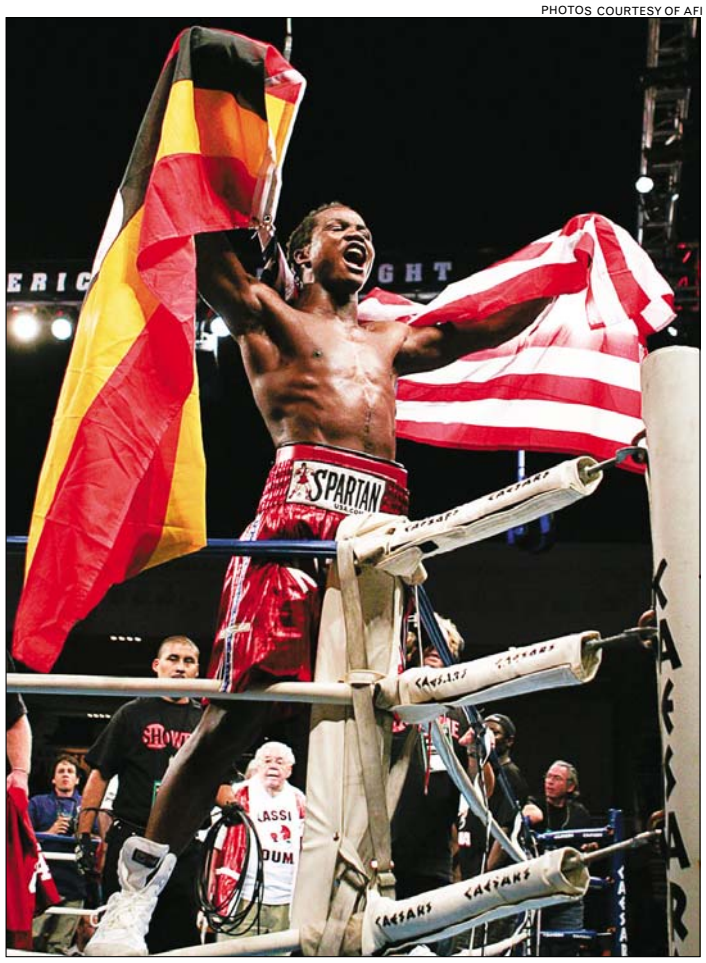
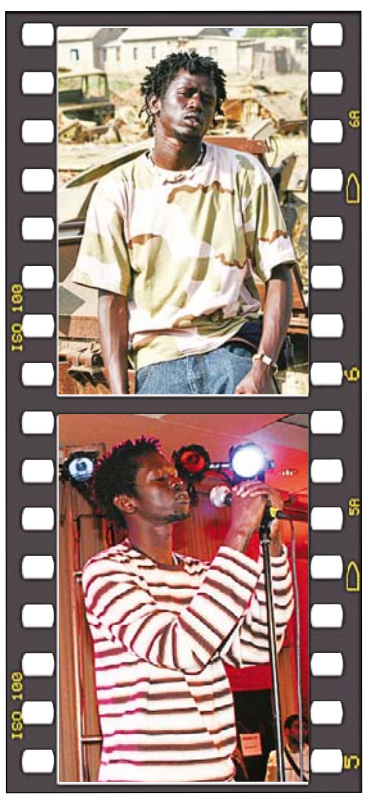


REEL LIFE: Some Silverdocs highlights include "Kassim the Dream," left, about a Ugandan child soldier who turns to boxing, and Alan and Susan Raymond's "Hard Times at Douglass High" set in Baltimore's Frederick Douglass High Scool.



FROM GUN TO MIC: Emmanual Jai, a former Sudanese child soldier who turns to rap, is profiled in "War Child."

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'LESSONS FROM IRAQ'

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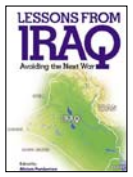

1 "Lessons From Iraq: Avoiding the Next War" is a compilation of questions and answers examining the Iraq war and finding ways to learn from mistakes. Editors and contributors associated with the book discuss the issues raised in it.

→ *Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. NW; Sun., 4-6 p.m., free; 202-387-7638, busboysandpoets.com.*

COURTESY ART LEAGUE

KEN MATSUZAKI TALK

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Feeling Whole Again

Orchestra Baobab gets together for a hip-swaying reunion

MUSIC | Orchestra Baobab is the embodiment of pan-African ideology. The 11-piece Senegalese group of mixed ethnic heritage formed in Dakar in 1970, combining Cuban grooves with African guitar lines, jazzy saxophone and Wolof-language vocals.

The band was popular in Senegal throughout the '70s, but when the funkier *mbalax* sound swept through Dakar in the '80s, Baobab suddenly sounded old hat. It broke up in 1987. But World Circuit's 2001 re-release of the group's 1982 album, "Pirates Choice," introduced the band to a whole new audience, which clamored for a Baobab reunion. The entire classic lineup — minus vocalist Laye Mboup, who died in a 1974 car crash — joined forces again and received wide acclaim.

DERA TOMPKINS

DAKAR EXPRESS: Orchestra Baobab was one of Afro-pop's brightest lights and survived a hiatus to come back stronger.

After extensive touring, Baobab went into the studio and made 2002's "Specialist in All Styles," which was produced by Youssou N'dour — and sounds just like the Baobab of old. It's no surprise, according to guitarist Latfi Benjeloum.

"The style is the style of Baobab; it's something we've worked on for a long, long time," he said.

Baobab's latest CD, "Made in Dakar," continues the group's hip-swaying mastery of sultry Afro-Cuban dance-pop — with one specific difference.

"[With 'Dakar'], we tried to make it [sound] live, exactly like we used to play it in clubs," Latfi said. "'Made in Dakar' is something special to us. We wanted to show all the fans that we're deep down in our roots."

Some fans seem to think the members of Baobab were in some way "rescued" when the band reformed, but Benjeloum disputes this romantic notion.

"I had my own band in Dakar," he said. "We were not suffering; we were playing and enjoying ourselves."

But there's no denying that Benjeloum and Baobab are taking much pleasure from the reunion.

"It was a dream. When you're young, when you listen to other musicians, when you see the concerts they do in big towns, when you're young [and not doing it], you feel like you're losing [out on] something," he said.

"We're actually now 50, 60 years [old], and the Lord has given us the grace to do this thing."

CHRISTOPHER PORTER (EXPRESS)

➜ *Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, Thu., 7:30 p.m., $37.50; 800-551-7328.*

All That Glitters

'Afghanistan: Hidden Treasures' reveals a rich cultural junction

MUSEUM | Ancient Afghanistan was once a crossroads along the Silk Road and a gathering place of riches the likes of which would have shaken Ali Baba to the core.

The National Gallery of Art has brought some of the ancient civilization's treasures here. It's one stop in a touring exhibition of jaw-dropping antiquities from the National Museum of Afghanistan, Kabul, whose motto — written in English and in Arabic script above the entrance to the East Building gallery — is "A nation stays alive when its culture stays alive."

Those words are uncommonly touching in light of the modern Western characterization of Afghanistan as dusty, repressive and culture-free. The objects on display tell another story, one of influence from India, whose sinuous treatment of the female figure informs a sculpture of a water goddess, and from Greek culture — Alexander the Great brought not only conquest but also the ancient pantheon, representatives of whom are molded into exquisite scale weights.

THIERRY OLLIVIER

A folding gold crown from the "Bactrian Hoard," the site of six nomad graves.

Four archeological sites make up the petite exhibition, two yielding the most impressive hoards. Begram (a crossroads of Indian and Roman cultures) held actual glassware, elaborately painted, and the "Bactrian Hoard" from Tillya Tepe revealed about 20,000 gold ornaments, 100-some of which are on display.

It's worth tearing oneself away from the dazzle to watch the short film, "Afghanistan: Hidden Treasures." Narrated by author Khaled Hosseini, the 28-minute documentary recounts the 2004 recovery of these items and many more from a vault under the presidential palace where they had been hidden — an act guaranteed to keep neither a nation nor its culture alive.

ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

➜ *National Gallery of Art, 600 Constitution Ave. NW; through Sept. 7; 202-633-1000, nga.gov. (Archives-Navy Memorial)*

GALLERY | THREADS

EMBASSY OF AUSTRALIA

TALKING CLOTH: "Wild Orange Dreaming," a batik-on-silk work by Noreen Pwerle, is one of the evocative pieces in "Utopia: A Picture Story," batiks by indigenous Australian artists at the Australian Embassy.

Rocking Cousins

Johnathan Rice traces the bloodlines of his favorite styles

MUSIC | "Oh, a bayou!"

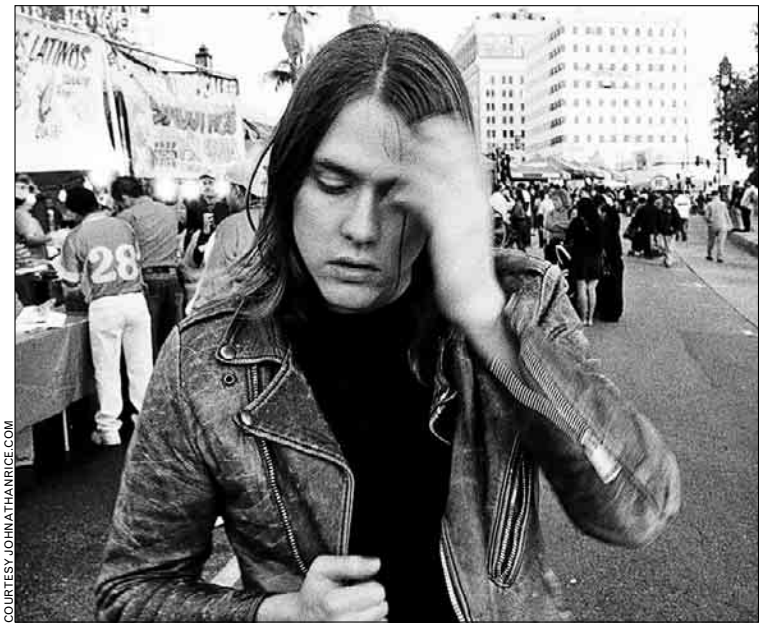
Johnathan Rice is on a mission. He's tallying up every bog, marsh and swamp as he wends his way out of Texas and toward the Rock and Roll Hotel for a concert on Thursday night. He's big on making memories out of landmarks.

"I should ceremoniously listen to Credence," the indie wunderkind extolled.

Rice is just 24 years old. He's opened for Wilco, regularly accompanies Jenny Lewis and Ben Gibbard, and even played Roy Orbison in 2005's "Walk the Line." His new CD, "Further North," has been lauded for its breathy homegrown tenor.

The home whence it grew, however, has split personalities, one informed by the patois of folk, the other by a flintier rock edge. "I'm from two places, Northern Virginia and Glasgow," said Rice.

"I was listening to Bob Dylan and the Allman Brothers when I was a kid in Virginia, and I listened to Floyd and Brit bands when I lived in Glasgow. Without living in both places, I'd be making different music, if at all."



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Indie pet Rice is known for his collaborations with sometime-girlfriend Jenny Lewis.

Rice attributes his musical duality to genes. "The narrative aspect of it basically combines old American music and new sonic territories," he said. "In the folk and blues tradition, the lyrics and structure have a genetic familiarity with so much new music, and people respond to that."

The concept of memories, of both the nature and the nurture varieties, has seeped into Rice's writing sensibilities.

"My friend has this dog named Kaya, which means coyote," he said. "So, she was watching an animal special on TV and on the show, a coyote started making its mating call, and Kaya responded; just remembered it was a coyote. It was written in the DNA."

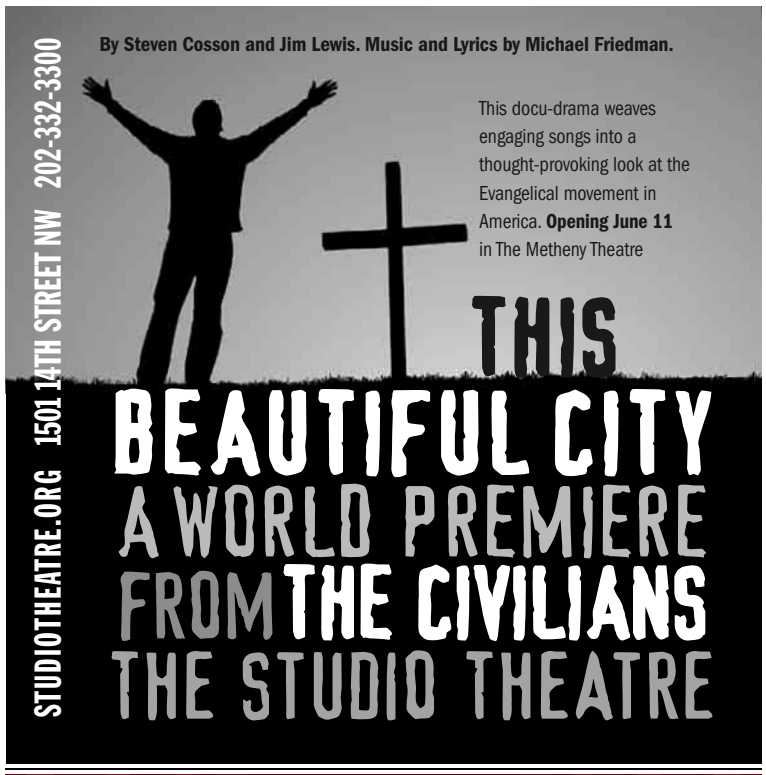
CHRISTOPHER CORREA

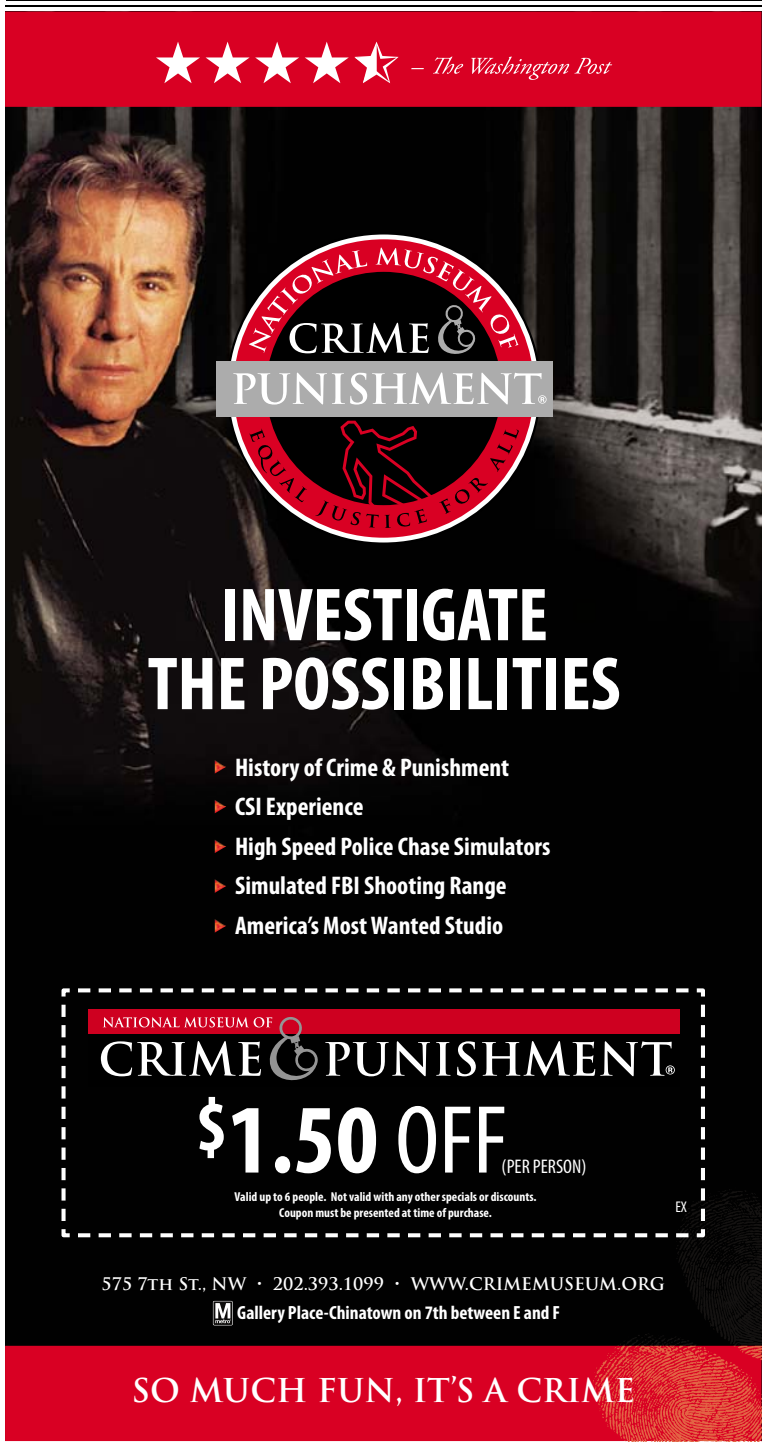
➜ *Rock and Roll Hotel, 1353 H St. NE; Thu., 8 p.m., $12; 202-388-7625; rockandrollhoteldc.com.*

LIVE PIANO-ROCK | YOU SEXY THING

COURTESY NICK HARDY

GIRLS NOT INCLUDED: D.C. welcomes back one-time locals Parachute Musical for the debut of their sophomore album, "Everything Is Working Out Fine in Some Town." After the original lineup fell apart, pianist and vocalist Josh Foster gave it another shot, and the piano-rock results will be onstage at the Rock and Roll Hotel on Saturday.





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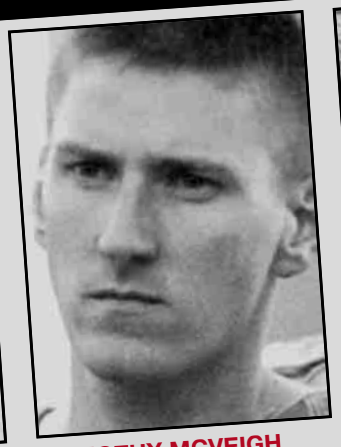

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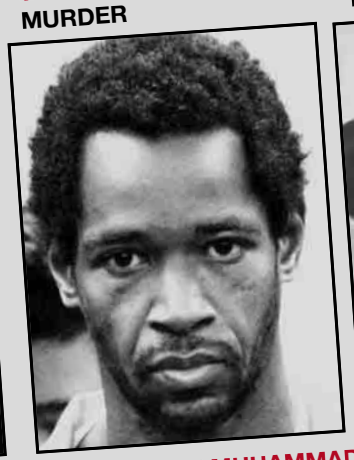

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Sailor, Take Warning

It's heavy weather ahead for prog-punk prodigy Unwed Sailor

MUSIC | "One of my favorite things to do when I was a kid was to listen to movie soundtracks or classical music and read books at the same time," says Johnathon Ford of Unwed Sailor. "So I'd get these visual images in my head, and music became the soundtrack to the story."

Which explains a lot about Ford's vision. His mostly instrumental band has released nine records in its 10-year existence. (Vocals feature in only four songs.)

But "Stateless" accompanied a 31-minute travel film by Chris Bennett. Artist Jamie Hunt illustrated a sort of children's book to accompany "The Marionette and the Music Box." And "For Jonathan" is a super-8 mm portrait of a friend, Jonathan Hicks, shot shortly before he passed away of cancer. In each, the imagery is inseparable from the music.

"Even cover art is important," says Ford. "Over the years, it has become a lost art form. An old Led Zeppelin cover is, like, 'Wow!' It takes you to that world." For the 2007 "White Ox" album and 2006 "Circles" EP, that world veered far from Ford's post-punk background into ambient soundscapes.

Ford cut his teeth playing in heavy, riffy bands like Roadside Monument and Decahedron. The new album, "Little Wars," is a rocker with ambient flourishes, culled from sessions back to 2002. Says Ford, "I love Brian Eno and I love Helmet. They're not the same thing. But if you can combine what you like musically together, I think you've won." BOB MASSEY

COURTESY NOISE PROBLEM

JONATHON OF ALL TRADES: Unwed Sailor, aka the musician Johnathon Ford, draws other aesthetic media into his world.

> "I'd get these visual images in my head, and music became the soundtrack to the story."

→ *DC9, 1940 9th St. NW; Sun., 8:30 p.m. $10; 202-483-5000.*

REGGAE | VENERABLE

WILLIAM RICHARDS

DANCEHALL DAYS: Jamaican native Capleton (aka the rather grand Clifton George Bailey III) steered dancehall to its current status when he burst onto the music scene in the '80s. With almost 20 albums under his belt, Capleton is a reggae legend, and he'll be at Crossroads Entertainment Complex on Saturday to perform hits like "Dis the Trinity" and "Aims House."

Hanging by a Thread

'Access to Life' gives the global epidemic of AIDS a human face

MUSEUM | A couple of decades ago, there were plenty of shows about AIDS. The art world had been hit hard, the Reagan administration was ignoring the epidemic, and religious nutjobs blamed the victims. The artistic reaction was personal and polemical, created from the raw rage of men (and they were largely men then) who saw their entire social sphere being wiped out.

Now AIDS has truly gone worldwide, and antiretroviral drugs, though not technically a cure, can stave off the worst — if you can afford it. The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria has undertaken to get medications to AIDS patients who wouldn't otherwise receive them.

Now at the Corcoran, "Access to Life" presents the work of eight members of the Magnum Photos cooperative, as they chronicle the lives of people undergoing free antiretroviral therapy in developing nations.

MAGNUM PHOTOS

LIVING ON THE EDGE: A Malian mother and child in one of Magnum's photographs.

The stories don't all have happy endings. Often, treatment comes too late. Obstacles include the apathy and avarice of the privileged, the ignorance and superstition of the poor. People repeatedly cite the stigma of HIV as reason for not getting tested and, if they test positive, for not getting treated. Prejudices surrounding issues of sexuality, mental illness and intravenous drug use only compound the problem.

The visual rhetoric of the show is cluttered, as hundreds of pictures vie for attention. Ranks of Polaroids march across the walls; a tapestry of photos cascades onto the floor. It's confusing, overwhelming

Ultimately, that doesn't matter, because "Access to Life" is willing to state the obvious: Millions of people who still need help will die without it. What the show doesn't say is what happens next. GLENN DIXON

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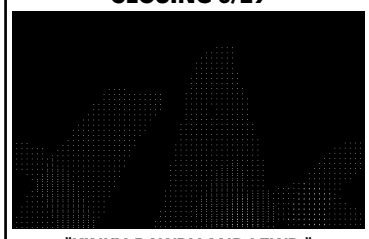

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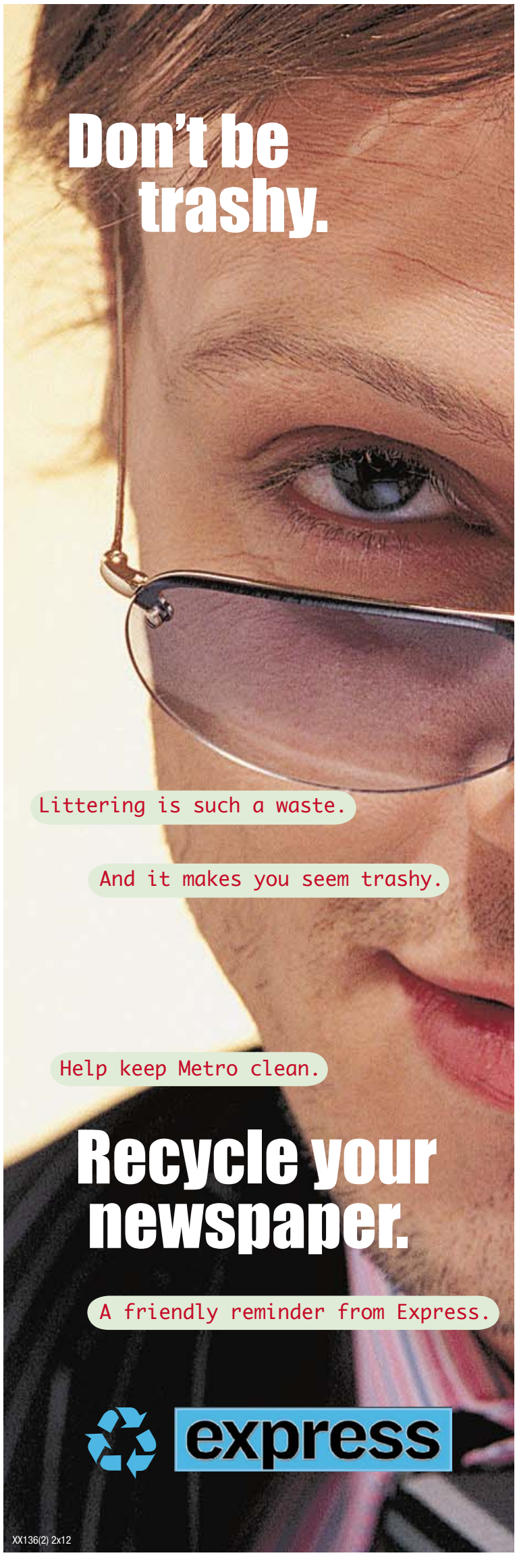

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CAROL ROSEGG

SICK IN THE HEAD: Gia Mora as Angelique, Rene Auberjonois as Argan and Tony Roach as Cleante in "The Imaginary Invalid."

Die Laughing

Shakespeare Theatre does a holistic staging of Molière's last play

STAGE | "Molière? Pffffft!"

That's not a disgruntled ticket buyer dismissing the Shakespeare Theatre Company's new production of the French playwright's final play, "The Imaginary Invalid." Actually, it's a line from the play uttered by a stand-in for Molière himself.

Playfully self-referential, "The Imaginary Invalid" mixes winking asides and farcical bathroom humor with dance, opera and commedia dell'arte, creating a frenzied whole that seems to burst the strictures of the stage.

Directed by Keith Baxter and starring René Auberjonois, the Shakespeare Theatre's staging (based on Alan Drury's modernized translation) is appropriately rambunctious and irreverent as it parodies the medical profession and those hypochondriacs who only fuel what Molière considered doctors' innate buffoonery.

Against a beautiful backdrop that slides and folds into surprising new configurations for each scene, the cast — especially standout Nancy Robinette as Toinette as an imperious servant — brings out the inanities of the farce with a sly wink and nudge.

Considered a masterpiece in France, 'The Imaginary Invalid' is rarely performed in America.

Considered a masterpiece in France, the play is rarely performed in America, and when it is, it's usually an abbreviated version that omits the opening tribute to Louis XIV (Molière's royal patron), the dance interludes, and the hilariously condensed staging of one of Molière's earliest one-acts, "The Flying Doctor."

When asked why these portions are typically cut, Baxter shrugs: "I have absolutely no idea. It's an asinine idea to cut them. They are part of the fabric of the play." Reinserted in the script, these elements immerse the audience in the 17th-century theatergoing experience, providing a context in which Molière's observations on love and death have even more wit and bite.

But, Baxter warns, "I don't want people to feel like this will be a daunting evening. When you come to the theater, you can leave your brains when you check your coat." Ultimately, the comic misunderstandings and pratfalls are as amusing as the play's rich autobiographical and metafictional depths are provocative. STEPHEN M. DEUSNER

➜ *Lansburgh Theatre, 450 7th St. NW, through July 27; $35.50–$67.50, 202-547-1122. (Gallery Place-Chinatown)*

Let's Hear It for Teen Initiative

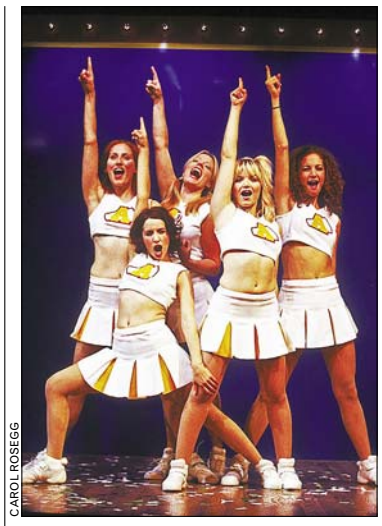
'Debbie Does Dallas' is — and isn't — the musical you think it is

STAGE | Audiences will be puzzling over Landless Theatre's new offering for years, nay, decades.

They'll discuss the symbolism behind the candle as teen sex toy and the consumption of a banana. Who knew "Debbie Does Dallas the Musical" could provoke so much thought? Adapted by Erica Schmidt from the infamous 1978 porn classic, the perky production thrusts its way onto the D.C. Arts Center stage.

Cheekily directed by Cocoa McFarlin, the musical features the titular cheerleading captain (Alexandra Claudio), who achieves her dream of making it onto the Dallas Cowgirls' cheer squad. But how will she get to Dallas?

She assembles her squad to help her raise the money, and all are game except Lisa (Allyson Harkey), who stews about Debbie's success and plots to steal her boyfriend, Rick (Ernie Achenbach). Finding that working for minimum wage is hard, y'all, the girls decide to "B-E aggressive" and find more stimulating ways to raise the money.



CAROL ROSEGG

The squad in "DDD" goes beyond car washes in order to raise money.

The musical probes long and hard into core issues: Debbie agonizes about her prized integrity; teammate Tammy (Jillian Green) frets about the need for a pristine history to get into the Senate.

Those seeking a skin-fest will have to be sated by simulation. But the battle for Debbie's soul should prove plenty satisfying. ERIN TROMPETER

➜ *D.C. Arts Center, 2438 18th St. NW; through July 5, $18; 301-613-7133; landlesstheatrecompany.org.*

GALLERY | FRUITS OF THEIR LABOR

COURTESY CHAW

GOOD DOG: It's quite a month at the Capitol Hill Arts Workshop. First, CHAW presents works by its students and faculty members, such as the hound above. And on Sunday, Andy Goldsworthy speaks on "Art and the Natural World." Tickets are $10; reservations are being taken at 202-547-6839.

Everyone Bleeds Red

The first slasher film from Pakistan rounds up the usual suspects

DVD | Watching "Hell's Ground," Pakistan's first slasher flick, feels like splitting open the head of an obsessive film buff.

The movie is crammed to bursting with references to American horror and cult flicks like "Pink Flamingos," "Night of the Living Dead" and "Friday the 13th," not to mention allusions to less well-known international fare like "Maula Jat" and "The Living Corpse."

Sure enough, writer/producer/director Omar Ali Khan is a former film critic who funded his first movie with profits from his ice cream shop in Islamabad, which is decorated with movie memorabilia from Hollywood and its Pakistan equivalent, Lollywood.

Originally titled "Zibahkhana" (which is not a direct translation), "Hell's Ground" hits all the horror-movie marks, beginning with its familiar set-\up: A group of teens lie to their parents to drive five hours to see a rock concert.

Of course they make a wrong turn and are set upon by zombies. Of course there's a homicidal maniac on the loose. Of course that nice old woman hides a horrible secret. The movie is completely derivative, but that seems to be Khan's intention.

Speaking a mix of English and Urdu, the Westernized characters — the virginal heroine, the pothead, the wild girl, the shy guy — are all so familiar you can predict the order in which they'll be killed off, but that's not the point. What makes "Hell's Ground" so compelling as a movie rather than as a historical footnote is the inventive way Khan interprets these decades-old American archetypes through contemporary Pakistani culture.

After surviving the zombie attack, the teens must battle a clan of backwoods butchers only slightly saner than the family in "Texas Chainsaw Massacre." The movie's most frightening character is an unnamed killer clad in a white burqa and wielding a spiked mace, who is so malevolent and genuinely disturbing that he (yes, he) could become Pakistan's own Leatherface.

The movie wobbles a little in its rushed final act, and the twist ending is obvious. "Hell's Ground" is flawed but fascinating. It's as simple and entertaining as Khan's insights into Pakistani culture — from its deepest anxieties to its escapist fantasies — are nuanced and thought-provoking. STEPHEN M. DEUSNER

COURTESY TLA RELEASING

VIOLENCE IS CATCHING: We've exported gory exploitation to other cultures. Yay?

Director Khan interprets American horror archetypes through Pakistani culture.

Take 10

THE WASHINGTON POST'S FILM CRITICS TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

1 | The Incredible Hulk

Star and co-writer Edward Norton delivers an uncluttered, absorbing, but perhaps a tad stiff, adaptation of the Stan Lee strip. ANN HORNADAY

2 | Kung Fu Panda

This infectious and inspiring animated film is as much fun as can be had at the movies right now. JOHN ANDERSON

3 | The Happening

M. Night Shyamalan isn't sure what kind of movie he's making — he shuffles through personalities looking for one that interests him. STEPHEN HUNTER

4 | You Don't Mess With the Zohan

Adam Sandler manages to stereotype pretty much everyone in the Western Hemisphere; his mind is stuck at the 8-year-old level. STEPHEN HUNTER

5 | Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull

The movie sends you out as it should, exhausted and happy, and you won't begin to think about its flaws for hours. STEPHEN HUNTER

6 | Sex and the City

With its materialism, raunchiness and self-absorbed but sympathetic heroines, the movie succeeds just as well as the hit TV series. ANN HORNADAY

7 | Iron Man

Amid so many generic fireballs, kill shots and earsplitting thumps, the film finally collapses under its own weight. ANN HORNADAY

8 | The Strangers

Three strangers in campy Halloween masks stalk and torment two handsome thirtysomethings in this start-to-finish horror fraud. STEPHEN HUNTER

9 | The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian

This handsome kids' adventure delivers swashbuckling action that leaves viewers feeling quite pummeled by the end. ANN HORNADAY

10 | What Happens in Vegas

This bright comedy never makes you feel stupid for enjoying its brisk pacing, smart lines and comic acting. STEPHEN HUNTER

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Bruce Banner wonders how he can turn his hand green in "The Incredible Hulk."

Indies&Arties

'Serenity' Now

Diehard fans of the Western-in-space "Firefly" can't miss this weekend's screening of "Serenity," the 2005 big-screen follow-up to the prematurely canceled Joss Whedon series. This weekend's two Arlington screenings are fundraising events for Equality Now!, an international human rights organization. The sci-fi TV series about the plucky crew of a rickety spaceship stretched the realms of space and time and won tons of awards, including an Emmy in 2003. So of course Fox canceled it.

→ ARLINGTON CINEMA 'N' DRAFTHOUSE, 2903 COLUMBIA PIKE, ARLINGTON; FRI., 10 P.M.; SAT., 2 P.M.; $7; 703-486-2345, ARLINGTONDRAFTHOUSE.COM.

War and Athletes

Japanese filmmakers showcase their contributions to film as part of the Library of Congress' free film series in two films about the battle of Okinawa and the 1964 summer Olympics in Tokyo. In "The Battle of Okinawa," director Kihachi Okamoto looks at the overall impact of the war on Japan's people. "Tokyo Olympiad" celebrates the Olympic legacy in Tokyo with director Kon Ichikawa documenting triumphs and shortcomings of the famed Olympians.

→ LIBRARY OF CONGRESS, 101 INDEPENDENCE AVE. SE; THU., 7 P.M.; FRI., 6:30 P.M., FREE; 202-707-5677, LOC.GOV.

'Mongol'

Russian director Sergei Bodrov brings the brutal legacy of Genghis Khan to the big screen in "Mongol." The film dissects the future leader's rise to power and his role as a legendary conqueror with a little bit of love story mixed in amid the action, violence and half-naked men.

→ E STREET CINEMA, 555 11TH ST. NW; OPENS FRI.; 202-452-7672, LANDMARKTHEATRES.COM. (METRO CENTER)

SIDNEY BALDWIN

Fans of the space-Western "Firefly" will be happy to see "Serenity" — again.

The Scene

Sound

→ THURSDAY

9:30 Club: ABBA, 9 p.m., $40.
Birchmere: Orchestra Baobab, 7:30 p.m., $37.50.
Black Cat: Banding Together '08, 7 p.m., $10.
Blues Alley: Regina Belle, 8 & 10 p.m., $43.
DC9: Tom McBride & the Tasty Licks, Justin Trawick, 8:30 p.m., $8.
Iota: Annuals, Hymns, 9 p.m., $12.
Jammin' Java: Unknown Hinson and Fools & Horses, 8:30 p.m., $12.
Lincoln Theatre: 2008 Grammy Salute to Gospel Music, 7:30 p.m., $25-$50.
The Red and the Black: Evan Bliss & The Welchers, $8.
Rock & Roll Hotel: Johnathan Rice, Maria Taylor, Nik Freitas, 8 p.m., $12.
State Theatre: Los Autenticos Decadentes, 7 p.m, $30 in advance, $35 at the door.
Strathmore: BSO: Beethoven's Ninth, 8 p.m, $21-$84.
Twins Jazz: Choper Jazz Project, 8 p.m.
Velvet Lounge: The Show Is the Rainbow, UUVVWWZ and Milkmachine, 9 p.m., $7
Wolf Trap: Rain: The Beatles Expreience, 8 p.m, $22.

→ FRIDAY

9:30 Club: Ayo, Wayna, 8 p.m., $15.
Alliance Francaise: "La Fete de la Musique," 5:30 p.m., $5 in advance, $10 at the door.
Birchmere: The Avett Brothers, 7:30 p.m., $25.
Iota: Dean Fields, 9:30 p.m, $12.
Jammin' Java: Luke Brindley, 7:30 p.m., $12. Bandazian, The War Within, 10 p.m., $10.

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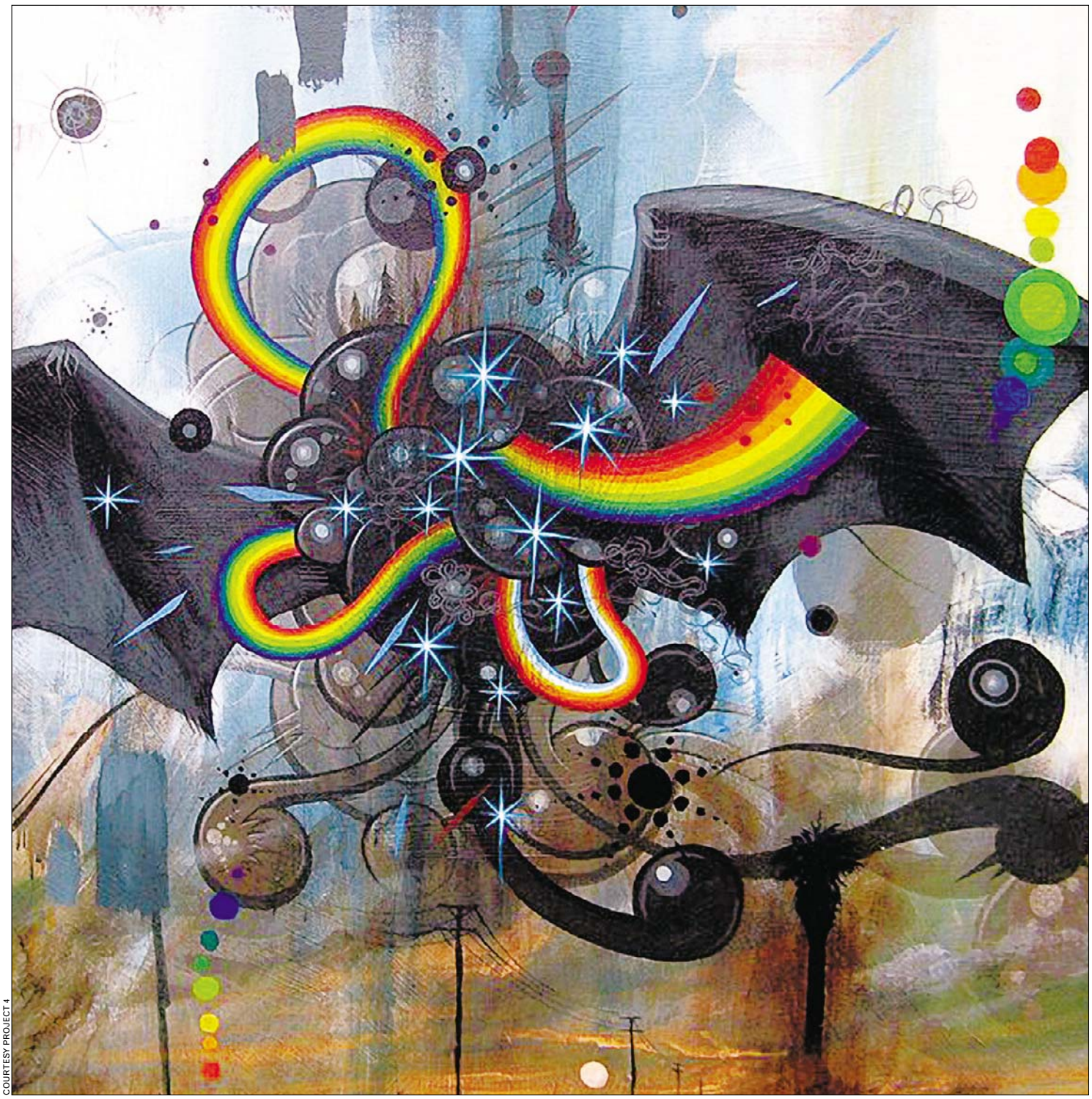
GALLERY | THE RISE AND FALL



COURTESY PROJECT 4

PLANETARY EVOLUTION: Witness the development and the destruction of nature in "The Sublime Landscape" at Project 4 Gallery. From photographs to paintings to full-on installments, artists (including Jeff Soto; that's his "Smogscape," above) contribute different perspectives of where the world has been and where it's going.

venues

→ **9:30 CLUB**: 815 V ST. NW; 202-393-0930.
→ **ALLIANCE FRANCAISE:** 4101 RESERVOIR ROAD NW; INSTANTSEATS.COM.
→ **BIRCHMERE MUSIC HALL:** 3701 MT. VERNON AVE., ALEXANDRIA; 703-549-7500.
→ **BLACK CAT:** 1811 14TH ST. NW; 202-667-7960.
→ **BLUES ALLEY:** 1073 WISCONSIN AVE. NW; 202-337-4141.
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TheScene

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Jaxx: Funny Money, Goodbye Thrill, Gate I, Sinners Trail, Relapse, 8 p.m., $13 in advance, $15 at the door.

Kennedy Center, Millennium Stage: Step Rideau and the Zydeco Outlaws, 6 p.m., free.

Lisner Auditorium: Salif Keita, 8 p.m., $15-$45.

The Red and the Black: The Bales, Console War, One Eyed Stanley, 9 p.m., $8.

State Theatre: The Legwarmers, 7 p.m., $16.

Strathmore: Earl Klugh, 8 p.m., $45.

Twins Jazz: Jamie Baum and Timepiece, 9 & 11 p.m., $15.

Velvet Lounge: Mello-D & the Rados, Bomani Armah, Jali-D, Cherubim, 9:30 p.m., $8.

➜ SATURDAY

9:30 Club: Blisspop Presents Pat Mahoney and Will Eastman with the Dance Party, 9 p.m., $15.

Birchmere: Michael Franks, 7:30 p.m., $45.

Black Cat: Grupo Fantasma and Bio Ritmo, 9 p.m., $15-$18.

Crossroads: Capleton, 10 p.m., $20-$25.

DC9: KonKrete Jungle DC, SST & Glitch of

STAGE | THE JOURNEY IS THE DESTINATION

COURTESY DREAMCITY THEATRE

STREET SMART: Take a ride on "The 70" at the Atlas Performing Arts Center's Lang Theatre and experience the neighborhoods that span from the Southwest Waterfront to Silver Spring. The number 70 bus has been making rounds through these quintessentially Washingtonian areas for years, both skimming and defining these parts of the city, and DreamCity Theatre Group brings the street to the stage thanks to John Muller and Justin McNeil's often-revived play.

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Brett Weston, *Yucca and Bush, White Sands*, 1946, The Phillips Collection, Washington, D.C.

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TheScene

the Chosen, Fixation, Encryption & Solace 72, Therapist, 9 p.m., $7-$10.

Iota: Frog Holler and Sarah Borges & the Broken Singles, 9:30 p.m., $15.

Jammin' Java: Matt Wertz, Thad Cockrell, 8 p.m., $15.

Jaxx: Too Pure to Die, We Were Gentlemen, Arsony, Mercy Forgotten, Blood Corps, Gomorrah and Prodigium, 1 p.m., $10-$12.

The Red & the Black: The Method, the Bourbon Dynasty, Airport Boulevard, Buck Forty Nine, 8:30 p.m., $8.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Parachute Musical CD Release, 8:30 p.m., $10.

Velvet Lounge: Cobra Collective, Olivia Mancini & the Housemates, the Secret Life of Sofia and Bullet Parade, 9:30 p.m.

➔ SUNDAY

9:30 Club: Fish, 9 p.m., $30.

Birchmere: "Dial 'P' for Pasties," presented by Trixie Little and the Evil Hate Monkey, 7:30 p.m., $20.

Black Cat: Cloak/Dagger, Transistor Transistor, New Idea Society, 8:30 p.m., $8.

DC9: Unwed Sailor, Sybris, 8:30 p.m., $8-$10.

Galaxy Hut: The Plums, Stamen and Pistils, 9 p.m., $5

Iota: Scott Miller, 8:30 p.m., $15.

Jammin' Java: Adam Swink (CD release), 7:30 p.m., $10.

Jaxx: Krass Judgement Fest, 4 p.m., $10-$12.

Lisner Auditorium: Gilberto Gil and the Broadband Band, 8 p.m., $25-$75.

State Theatre: Robben Ford, 6 p.m., $20-$24.

Velvet Lounge: Dead Husbands, Diacon-Panthers and The Fordists, 9 p.m., $7.

Sight

Aaron Gallery: "Erika Rukin," paintings, through July 3. "Brade Howe," metal sculptures, through July 3. 1717 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-243-3311.

Addison/Ripley: New works by Kevin Kepple, through June 21. 1670 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-338-5180, addisonripley.com.

Anacostia Community Museum: "East of the River: Continuity and Change," through Nov. 9. 1901 Fort Place SE; 202-633-1000, anacostia.si.edu.

The Art League Gallery: "Body Piecing," abstract figure paintings, through July 7. 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-683-1780.

Arthur M. Sackler Gallery: "Arts of China," "Contemporary Japanese Porcelain," "Muraqqa': Imperial Mughal Albums From the Chester Beatty Library, Dublin," through Aug. 3. "Sculpture of South and Southeast Asia," "Taking Shape: Ceramics in Southeast Asia," "Yellow Mountain: China's Ever-Changing Landscape," through Aug. 24. "Perspectives: Y.Z. Kami," through Oct. 13. 1050 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000, asia.si.edu.

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28 SAT ★ NSO Prelude
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Corcoran Gallery of Art: "Chance Encounters: Photographs From the Collection of Norman Carr and Carolyn Kinder Carr," street photography from the early 20th century through the '70s, through June 22. "The American Evolution: A History through Art," America's history as shown through selected artworks, through July 27. 500 17th St. NW; 202-639-1700, corcoran.org.

DAR: "Telling Their Stories: 19th-Century Samplers and Silk Needlework," through Aug. 30. 1776 D St. NW; 202-879-3241.

DEA Museum: "Good Medicine, Bad Behavior: Drug Diversion in America," through Dec. 31. 700 Army Navy Drive, Arlington; 202-307-3463, deamuseum.org.

District Fine Arts: "In Transit," a group show of painting and photographs, through Aug. 30. 1639 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-328-9100, dfaonline.com.

Folger Shakespeare Library: "Now Thrive the Armorers: Arms and Armor in

AFRO-POP | WORLD TRAVELER

COURTESY SALIF KEITA

VOICE OF THE AGES: Malian-born singer Salif Keita is known for his high energy, ravishing tenor and vocal elasticity. He brings exuberant, idiosyncratic take on West African music — flavored with European, Arabic and even electronic touches — to the Lisner Auditorium on Friday.

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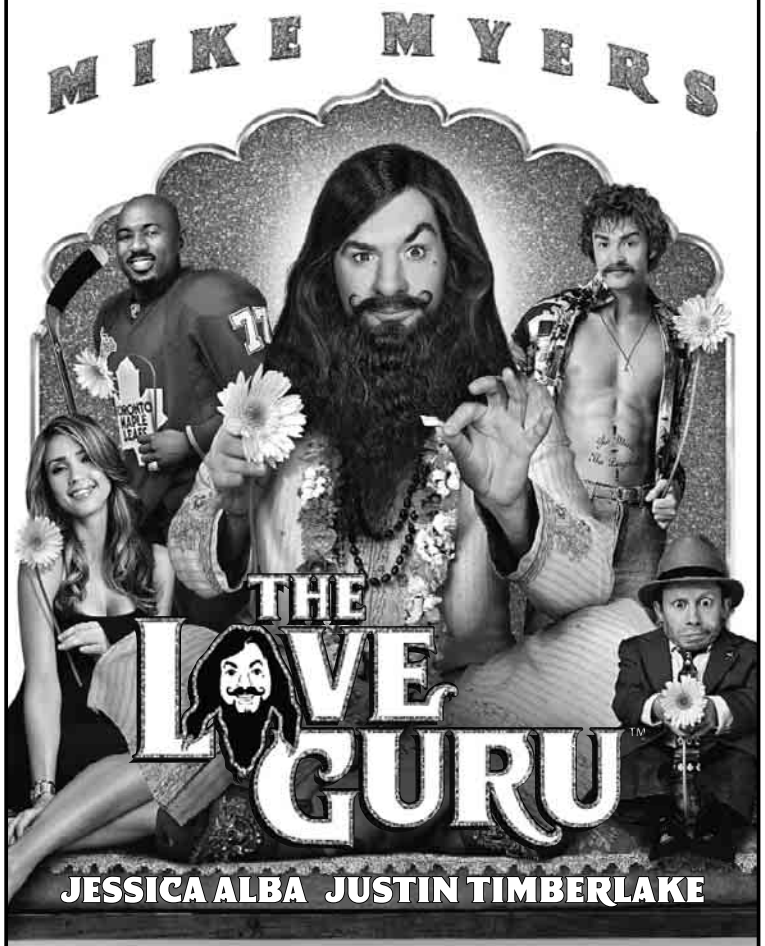

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Shakespeare," through Sept. 9. Shakespeare First Folio and other works on permanent display, 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-7077, folger.edu.

Foundry Gallery: "First Person Singular," abstract paintings by Patsy Fleming, based on her life experiences, through June 29. 1314 18th St.NW; 202-463-0203, foundrygallery.org.

Fraser Gallery: "Bethesda Painting Awards," nine finalists from the region display their works, through July 5. 7700 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651, thefrasergallery.com.

Freer Gallery: "Tales of the Brush Continued: Chinese Paintings With Literary Themes," through July 27. "Japanese Arts of the Edo Period, 1615-1868, Part 2," through Sept. 7. "Tea for Everyone: Japanese Popular Ceramics for Tea Drinking," through Sept. 7. Jefferson Drive and 12th Street SW; 202-633-1000, asia.si.edu.

G Fine Art: "Remake," Ivan Navarro & Courtney Smith rework used materials to form sculpture, through June 28. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-462-1601, gfineartdc.com.

Goethe Institut: "Images of Germany (Deutschlandbilder)," works by eight photographers from the revered Ostkreuz

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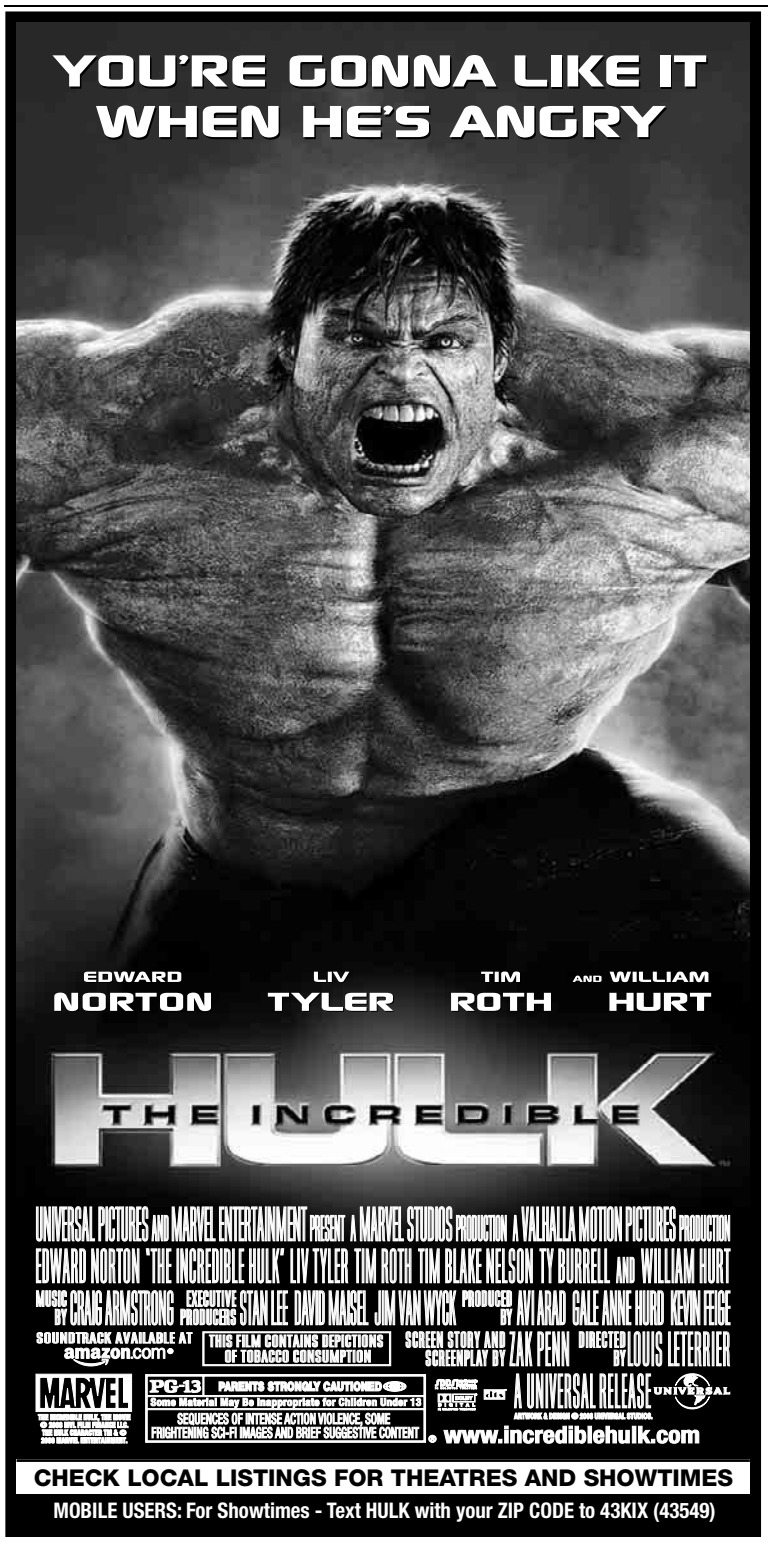
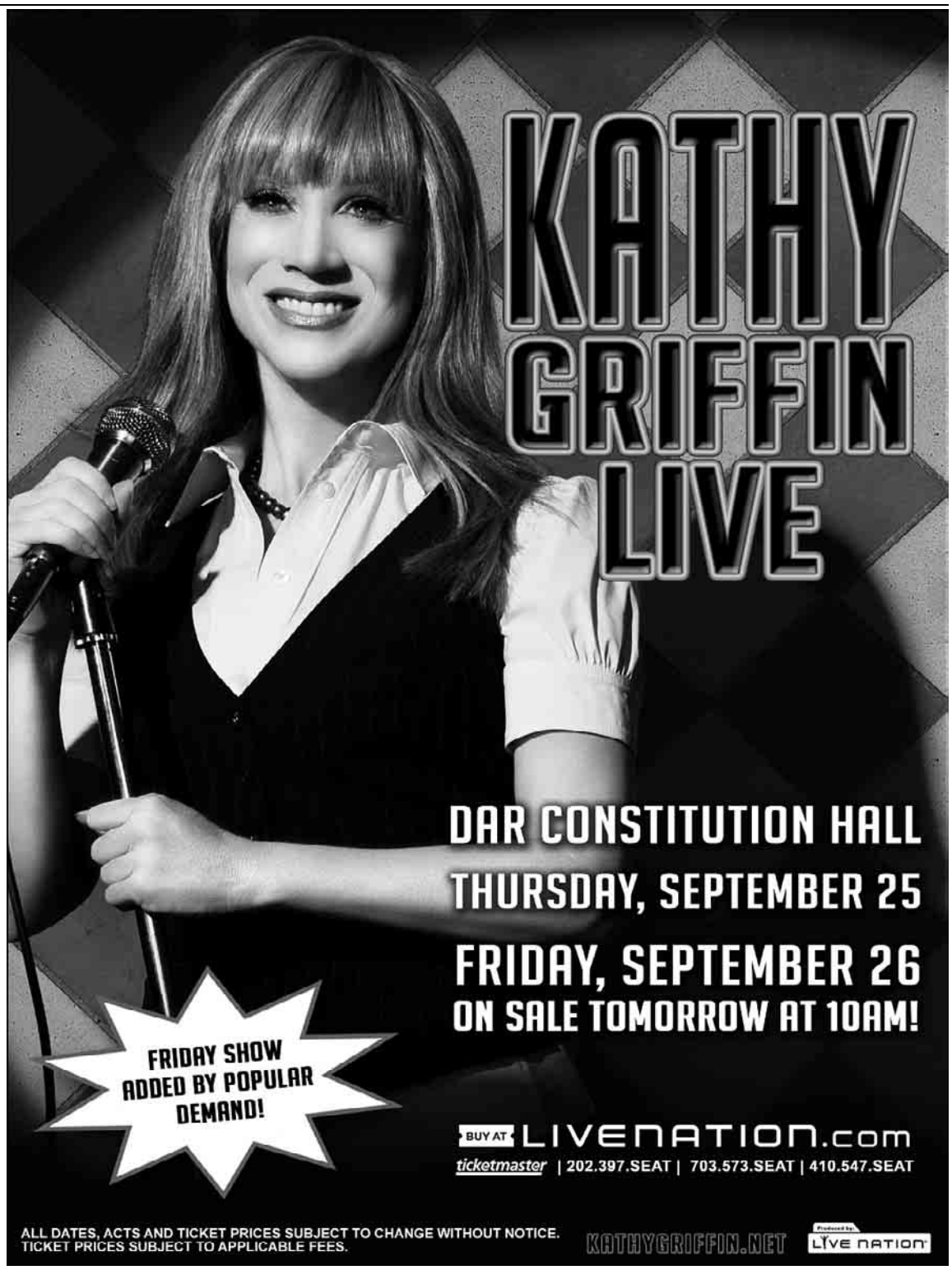
GALLERY | GREAT VIEW

COURTESY POPCORN GALLERY

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS: See a different view at the "Perspectives" exhibit at the Popcorn Gallery in the Art Glass Center at Glen Echo Park. The exhibit showcases glass sculpture and vessels created by 10 local artists.





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TheScene

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Photo Agency, through Aug. 29. 812 7th St. NW; 202-289-1200, goethe.de/ins/us/was/enindex.htm.

H&F Fine Arts: "The Funk Aesthetic: Chocolate Coated, Freaky and Habit-Forming," a group show inspired by the exuberant musical movement, through June 29. 3311 Rhode Island Ave., Mount Rainier. Md.; 301-887-0080, hffinearts.com.

Hemphill Fine Art: "Jacob Kainen: Paintings and Drawings from 1939-1949," through July 26. "Max Hirshfield: Looking at Looking," through July 26. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-234-5601, hemphillfinearts.com.

Hirshhorn: "Directions — Amy Sillman: Third Person Singular," through July 6. "Black Box: Kimsooja," the artist's hypnotic, disorienting film "A Laundry

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LIVE ROCK | GRAND OLD MEN

JASON DECROW/AP

SO THIS MILLENNIUM: Pearl Jam survived the grunge wave that birthed it because the band adapted over time, not to rock trends but to its own maturity and range. The grown-up version of Eddie Vedder & co. is a satisfying alt-rock band that earned stadium-size audiences. Fittingly, Pearl Jam is at the Verizon Center on Sunday.

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SEX AND THE CITY (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1135 1240 255 400) 615 715 930 1020
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IRON MAN (PG13) 1:45, 4:40, 7:30, 10:20

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14
10300 Patuxent Parkway
703-998-4AMC

DIGITAL PRESENTATION
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LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14
3111 K Street, N.W.
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SPECIAL MIDNIGHT SHOW
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THE LOVE GURU (PG13) 12:01 AM

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WHAT HAPPENS IN VEGAS (PG13) 8:05, 10:20
IRON MAN (PG13) 1:30, 4:30, 7:35, 10:30

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18
2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
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AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8
Courthouse and Birch Rd.
703-998-4AMC

THE HAPPENING (R) ✓ 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:50
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MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12
800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220

THE HAPPENING (R) 12:15, 1:45, 2:45, 4:15, 5:15, 6:45, 7:45, 9:15, 10:15
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IRON MAN (PG13) 1:10, 4:20, 7:10, 10:10

LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7
2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

AMC SELECT
BIGGER, STRONGER, FASTER* (PG13) 2:20, 4:50, 7:30, 9:50
THE CHILDREN OF HUANG SHI (R) 2:30, 5:00, 7:20, 9:50
THE FALL (R) 1:50, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20
SON OF RAMBOW (PG13) 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30
THEN SHE FOUND ME (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:50, 10:00
ROMAN DE GARE (R) 2:00, 4:20, 7:00, 9:10
THE VISITOR (PG13) 1:40, 3:50, 7:40, 9:55

LOEWS UPTOWN 1
3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
1-800-FANDANGO #713

INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16
7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

SPECIAL MIDNIGHT SHOW
GET SMART (PG13) 12:01 AM
THE LOVE GURU (PG13) 12:01 AM

DIGITAL PRESENTATION
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WHAT HAPPENS IN VEGAS (PG13) 11:40, 2:20, 5:05, 7:35, 10:00
IRON MAN (PG13) 11:10, 2:00, 4:55, 7:50, 10:45

AMC MAZZA GALLERIE
Jenifer and Wisconsin
202-537-9553

DIGITAL PRESENTATION
IRON MAN (PG13) 1:05, 4:00, 10:10
THE HAPPENING (R) ✓ 1:15, 4:10, 7:05, 9:40
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SEX AND THE CITY (R) 12:55, 4:00, 7:10, 10:15
INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG13) 2:00, 5:00, 7:50, 10:30

LOEWS RIO CINEMAS 18
9811 Washingtonian Boulevard
301-948-0906

SPECIAL MIDNIGHT SHOW
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THE LOVE GURU (PG13) ✓ 12:01 AM

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IRON MAN (PG13) 1:25, 4:20, 7:10, 10:15

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5
North Bethesda
1-800-FANDANGO #741

KUNG FU PANDA (PG) 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 7:50
YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHAN (PG13) 2:15, 5:00, 7:45
SEX AND THE CITY (R) 1:35, 4:30, 7:40
INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG13) 2:00, 4:45, 7:35
THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: PRINCE CASPIAN (PG) 1:50, 4:35, 7:30

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INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG-13)
11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:45
THE HAPPENING (R)
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11:15,1:45, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20
SEX AND THE CITY (R)
11:40, 2:50, 6:00, 9:00

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THE VISITOR (PG-13)
5:15, 7:30

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7235 Woodmont Ave • (301) 652-7273
Moviefone (301 or 202) 333-3456 #805
BARGAIN MATINEES BEFORE 6PM
CHILDREN OF HUANG SHI (R)
1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30
THE VISITOR (PG-13)
2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
SAVAGE GRACE (NR)
2:05, 4:30, 6:45, 9:15
THEN SHE FOUND ME (R)
2:10, 4:40, 7:05, 9:20
REPRISE (R)
2:00, 4:35, 7:10, 9:35
THE FALL (R)
1:45, 4:25, 7:20, 9:55
PRICELESS (PG-13)
2:20, 4:50, 7:25, 9:40
BEFORE THE RAINS (PG-13)
2:35, 4:55, 7:30, 9:50

P&G WESTFIELD MONTGOMERY
7101 Democracy Blvd. Beth 301-767-9555
BARGAIN MATINEES BEFORE 6 PM!
KUNG FU PANDA (PG)
1:00, 3:00, 5:10, 7:20
INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG-13)
12:00, 2:35, 5:05, 7:35
SEX AND THE CITY (R)
1:30, 4:30, 7:20

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THE INCREDIBLE HULK (PG-13)
5:00,7:30
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4:30,7:10

CINEMA ARTS THEATRE
9650 Main St., Fairfax 703-978-6991
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BEFORE THE RAINS (PG-13)
10:10,12:15,2:20,4:40,7:00, 9:15
THE FALL (R)
9:55,12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:50,10:05
THE CHILDREN OF HUANG SHI (R)
9:45, 12:05, 2:35, 5:05, 7:40, 9:55
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THE VISITOR (PG-13)
10:05,12:25,2:45,4:55,7:20,9:25

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LANDMARK'S
E street CINEMA
E St. at 11th St. NW • (202) 452-7672
Moviefone (301 or 202) 333-3456 #781
BARGAIN MATINEES BEFORE 6PM
ANIMATION SHOW 4 (NR)
1:35, 3:35, 5:35, 7:35, 9:35
BIGGER, STRONGER, FASTER (PG-13)
1:45, 4:15, 7:15
ROMAN DE GARE (R)
2:00, 4:30, 7:00
SAVAGE GRACE (NR)
2:15, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
THE VISITOR (PG-13)
2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
THE FALL (R)
1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:45
BALLOU (NR)
1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 9:45
THE PROMOTION (R)
1:05, 3:20, 5:30, 7:50, 10:05

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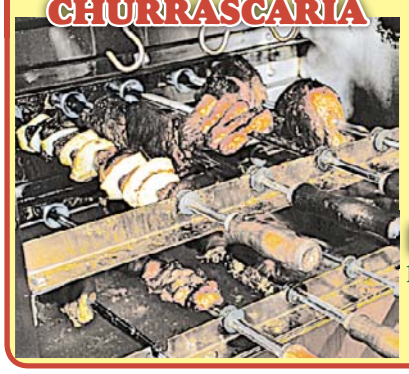

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THE WET SET | D.C. may be a couple hours from the closest beach, but that doesn't mean area residents are deprived of the glories of the Chesapeake Bay and Atlantic Ocean. Local restaurants new and old find ways to bring the best of the sea at a casual price.

To walk into Crisfield Seafood Restaurant is to get hit by a wave of Americana. Sit at the counter — a large, open square filled with busy servers doubling as chefs. Since 1945, this Silver Spring landmark has honored the mighty crab. Shipped from the Eastern Shore daily, crabs come as (cue Bubba from "Forrest Gump") crab cocktail, crab fingers, crab salad, crab salad sandwich, crab cake, crab stuffed in flounder, and at this time of year, soft-shell crab. Another highlight: clams shucked right behind the counter. Top the fresh bivalves with horseradish and a few dashes of their mysterious "Old Bay sauce."

COURTESY TACKLE BOX

LOBSTER ROCKS: A giant shelled sea bug, some vegetables, sausage and a squeeze of lemon say "summer" at Tackle Box.

Back in the District is Tackle Box, the low-key little brother of sustainable fish hero, Hook. Chef Barton Seaver's newest venture touts the same eco-friendly party line. Its bounty arrives from the Atlantic Ocean, reaching up to Maine for their lobsters (a take-home kit includes quahog clams, white water mussels, chorizo sausage and grilled vegetables) and down to North Carolina for trout.

Maine Meals consist of grilled fish, in which the charred flavor enhances every bite, served with a choice of two sides and sauce (basil walnut pesto!). Spiced fries succeed as well as the grilled asparagus, bright and crunchy, not bitter or soggy. You'd almost forget you're eating in Georgetown.

Old Town's fish shack finds inspiration from Ireland. The signature dish at Eamonn's A Dublin Chipper is the classic fish and chips. Taking advantage of the Atlantic and Chesapeake, Eamonn's star fish — cod — is battered in a malt vinegar base. It's unlike the English beer batter, "which can be soggy," explained general manager Clinton Terry.

The same team as the one at Restaurant Eve runs the chipper and has perfected seven sauces for their fried eats. Try Froncch, a grainy Dijon mustard and mayo concoction, and for sauces with a kick, dip your fries in Marie-Rose (ketchup, mayonnaise, Tabasco, lemon juice) or hot chili (serrano chili, cilantro, lime juice, mayonnaise.)

Fish fans, take note — both Tackle Box and Eamonn's are looking to syndicate their endeavors. But don't worry, Crisfield isn't going anywhere. STEFANIE GANS

➜ *Crisfield Seafood Restaurant, 8012 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring; 301-589-1306, crisfieldseafoodrestaurant.com (Silver Spring)*

➜ *Eamonn's: A Dublin Chipper, 728 King St., Alexandria; 703-299-8384, eamonnsdublinchipper.com. (King Street)*

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Start your summer off in a hot, sticky mess at the Safeway 16th Annual 2008 National Capital Barbecue Battle. Stretching across Pennsylvania Avenue NW between 9th and 14th streets, the bash features cooking demonstrations, live bands, interactive exhibits and, of course, food samples. For those interested in a little competition (actually $40,000 worth) the Kansas City Barbecue Society and Memphis in May national championship takes place on Sunday. Don't feel too bad for indulging in your pork pleasure, admission fees — $10 for adults, $5 for kids 6-12 — will in part be directed to the Boys & Girls Clubs. (SG)

→ *Pennsylvania Avenue NW, June 21-22; 202-828-3099, bbqdc.com. (Federal Triangle)*

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GO BOWLING: Hill's Kitchen owner Leah Daniels shows off some of her wares.

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CATHERINE COPP

CRUEL TO BE KIND: It takes a lot to become the most widely syndicated political cartoonist in the world, but equal opportunity offender Pat Oliphant pulls it off. In his new exhibit at the Stanford in Washington Art Gallery, "Leadership: Oliphant Cartoons & Sculpture From the Bush Years," Oliphant's drawings and cartoons of modern political figures take center stage.

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Woman, Yamuna River, Delhi," through Aug. 17. "The Cinema Effect Part II: Realisms," part two of the Hirshhorn's exploration of film, art and film as art, through Sept. 7. 7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, hirshhorn.org.

Historical Society of Washington: "Discover Greatness: An Illustrated History of Negro Baseball Leagues," through Oct. 5. "Separate and Unequaled: Black Baseball in the District of Columbia," through Oct. 5. 801 K St. NW; 202-383-1850, historydc.org.

International Spy Museum: Permanent displays of wristwatch cameras, poison gas guns, a World War II Enigma cipher machine and other coding machines, disguises, etc., 800 F St. NW; 202-393-7798, spymuseumorg.

LAST CHANCE Irvine Contemporary: "Overweight," color-saturated but meticulous canvases by James Marshall, the artist also known as "Dalek," through Sat. 1412 14th St. NW; 202-332-8767, irvinecontemporary.com.

Jerusalem Fund Gallery: "Silver Adornment From Bilad al-Sham," through July 11. 2425 Virginia Ave. NW; 202-338-1958, thejerusalemfund.org/gallery/index.php.

Koshland Science Museum: "Global Warming Facts & Our Future," "Infectious Disease: Evolving Challenges to Human Health," "Wonders of Science," 6th & E streets NW; 202-334-1201, koshland-science-museum.org.

Kreeger Museum: "Philip Johnson: Architecture as Art," the famed architect's innovative work, through July 31. 2401 Foxhall Road NW; 202-338-3552, kreegermuseum.org.

Library of Congress: "Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater: 50 Years as Cultural Ambassador to the World," through Sept. 6. 10 First St. SE; 202-707-4604. loc.gov.

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LAST CHANCE Marsha Mateyka Gallery: "Gene Davis: On Paper," through Sat. 2012 R St. NW; 202-328-0088, marshamateykagallery.com.

Meridian International Center: "Jam Session: America's Jazz Ambassadors Embrace the World," through July 13. 1624 Crescent Place NW; 202-667-6800, meridian.org.

National Academy of Sciences: "Taxa: Paintings by Isabella Kirkland," elaborate paintings draw on Dutch still-life traditions to depict invasive and endangered flora and fauna, through Aug. 25. 2100 C St. NW; 202-334-2436, nasonline.org.

National Air and Space Museum: "America by Air," "At the Controls: A Look at Cockpits," through July 13. "Beyond the Limits: Flight Enters the Computer Age," "Carrier War in the Pacific," "Earth Today: A Digital View of Our Dynamic Planet," "Explore the Universe," "GPS: A New Constellation," "How Things Fly," interactive gallery about the principles of flight. "In Plane View: Abstractions of Flight," through Jan. 2. "Looking at Earth," on aerial photography. "Military Unmanned Aerial Vehicles," "Modern Carrier Aviation: Seapower in a Changing World," "Space: A Journey to Our Future," through Jan. 11.

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7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, nasm.si.edu.

National Archives: "Running for Office: Candidates, Campaigns and the Cartoons of Clifford Berryman," political and editorial wit, in pictures, through Aug. 17. 9th Street & Constitution Avenue NW; 202-357-5000, archives.gov.

National Building Museum: "Eero Saarinen: Shaping the Future" explores the legacy of the architect, through Aug. 23. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448, nbm.org.

National Gallery of Art, East Building: "Afghanistan: Hidden Treasures From the National Museum, Kabul," through Sept. 7.4th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-737-4215, nga.gov.

West Building: "Richard Misrach: On the Beach," through Sept. 1. "Medieval to

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Modern: Recent Acquisitions of Drawings, Prints and Illustrated Books," through Nov. 2. 6th Street & Constitution Avenue NW; 202-737-4215, nga.gov.

National Geographic: "A Camera, Two Kids and a Camel," through Sept. 14. "China's Forgotten Fleet Voyages of Zheng He," through Sept. 7. "Shaolin: Temple of Zen — Photographs by Justin Guariglia," through Sept. 7. 1145 17th St. NW; 202-857-7588, nationalgeographic.com/museum.

National Museum of African Art: "African Vision: The Walt Disney-Tishman African Art Collection," through Sept. 7. "El Anatsui: Gawu," through Sept. 2. "Treasures 2008," through Aug. 17. "Txt-Styles: Fashioning Identity," through Dec. 8. "Body of Evidence: Selections From the Contemporary African Art Collection," through June 30. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000, africa.si.edu.

National Museum of Crime & Punishment: Permanent and rotating exhibitions about the history of crime, crime-fighting and punishment in the United States, 575 7th St. NW; 202-393-1099, crimemuseum.org.

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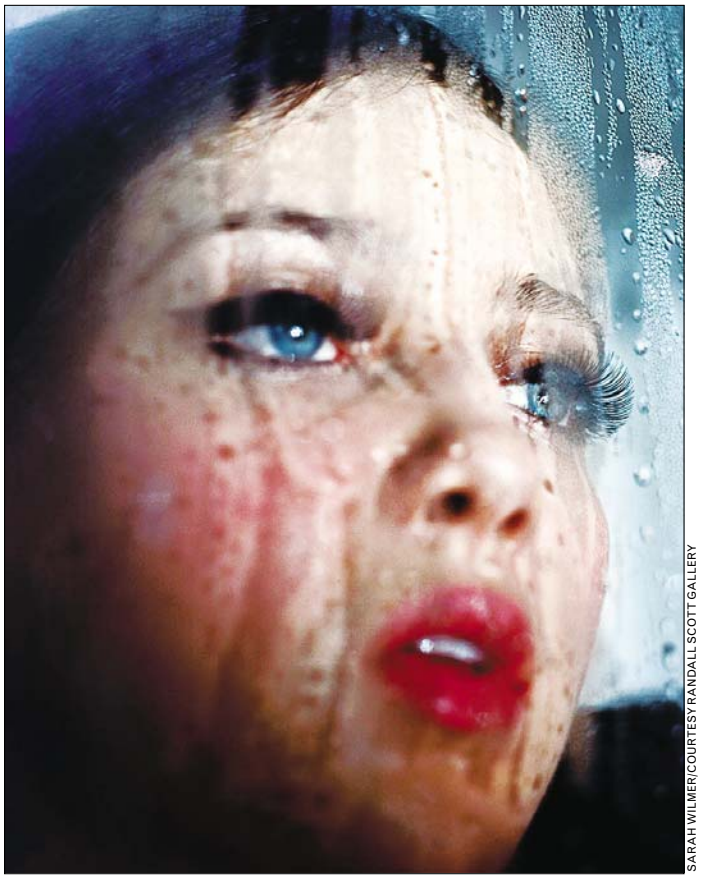
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National Museum of the American Indian: "Our Lives: Contemporary Life and Identities," "Our Peoples: Giving Voice to Our Histories," "Our Universes: Traditional Knowledge Shapes Our World," "Return to a Native Place: Algonquian Peoples of the Chesapeake," "Window on Collections: Many Hands, Many Voices," permanent and rotating exhibitions, 4th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, nmai.si.edu.

National Museum of Natural History: "Botanica Magnifica," through Oct. 31. "The Lost Amazon," through Oct. 31. "Discovering Rastafari," through Nov. 8. 10th Street & Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, mnh.si.edu.

National Museum of Women in the Arts: Permanent collection, 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000.

National Portrait Gallery: "Edward Steichen: Portraits"; "Zaida Ben-Yusuf: New York Portrait Photographer," both through Sept. 1. "Herblock's Presidents: Puncturing Pomposity," through Nov. 30. "Kate: A Centennial Celebration," through Oct. 5. "Recognize! Hip-Hop and Contemporary Portraiture," through Oct. 26. "Ballyhoo! Posters as Portraiture," through Feb. 8. 8th & F streets NW; 202-633-1000, npg.si.edu.

National Postal Museum: "Rarity Revealed: The Benjamin K. Miller Collection," through Jan. 12. "Customers and Communities," "Airmail in America," "Artistic License: The Duck Stamp Story," "Binding the Nation," "Moving the Mail," "On the Road," "Postal Inspectors: The Silent Service," through Feb. 28. 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE; 202-633-1000.

Newseum: A museum of news tracing the history of journalism, with interactive exhibitions in 14 galleries, 15 theaters and two broadcast studios, 555 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 888-639-7386, newseum.org.

Phillips Collection: "The Great American Epic: Jacob Lawrence's Migration Series," through Oct. 26. Dieberkorn in New Mexico," the abstract artist's 1950-'52 "Albuquerque period," opens Sat. "Brett Weston: Out of the Shadow," photographs from the 1920s through the '80s, opens Sat., both through Sept. 7. 1600 21st St. NW; 202-387-2151.

Popcorn Gallery, Glass Center at Glen Echo: "Perspectives," works in glass by 10 local artists, through June 29. 7300 MacArthur Blvd.. Glen Echo; 301-634-2222, glenechopark.org.

Project 4 Gallery: "The Sublime Landscape," abstract portrayals of human history, through July 19. 903 U St. NW; 202-232-4340, project4gallery.com.

Randall Scott Gallery: "Sarah Wilmer,"

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'T' Also Stands For Trouble

DANCING DIVAS with tassels and barely-there clothing take over the Birchmere in "Dial 'P' for Pasties." Scotland Yard is on a mission to solve the mystery of "Neffertitti's" purloined gold pasties, so with a high-kick and a high skirt, burlesque detectives work out the clues. Baltimore duo and D.C. faves Trixie Little and the Evil Monkey bring a repertoire of half-naked acrobatics and antics to the stage along with outrageous story lines that have made these two the talk of the town. Of course, you'll be on the edge of your seat to find out if Neffertitti's nipples will ever be safely gold-clad again. *Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; Sun., 7:30 p.m., $20; 703-549-7500, birchmere.com.*

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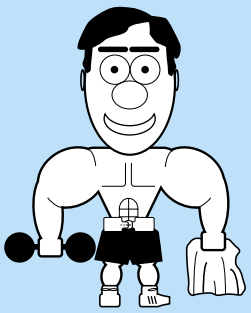

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eerily beautiful narrative photographs, through July 5. 1326 14th St. NW; 202-332-0806, randallscottgallery.com.

Renwick Gallery: "Ornament as Art: Avant-Garde Jewelry From the Helen Williams Drutt Collection," through July 6. 17th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, americanart.si.edu/renwick/index.cfm.

Smithsonian American Art Museum: "Aaron Douglas: African-American Modernist," through Aug. 3. "Celebrating the Lucelia Artist Award, 2001-2006," through June 22. "Earth and Sky: Photographs by Barbara Bosworth," through Nov. 9. "The Honor of Your Company Is Requested: President Lincoln's Inaugural Ball," through Jan. 18. 8th & F streets NW; 202-633-1000, americanart.si.edu.

Stanford in Washington Art Gallery: "Leadership; Oliphant Cartoons & Sculpture From the Bush Years," through Sept. 2655 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-6235.

Textile Museum: "Blue," artists explore the primary color in all its permutations. "The Finishing Touch: Accessories From the Bolivian Highlands," both through Sept. 18. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441, textilemuseum.org.

Touchstone Gallery: "Wish You Were Here," paintings by Nancy Novick; "Black and White," works by Jeanne Garant, through July 6. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-

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2787, touchstonegallery.com.

U.S. Botanic Garden: "One Planet — Ours! Sustainability for the 22nd Century," through Oct. 13. Permanent exhibitions of more than 4,000 plants and a tropical rain forest, ongoing. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333, usbg.org.

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum: "A Dangerous Lie: Protocols of the Elders of Zion," "Genocide Emergency: Darfur, Sudan," "Remember the Children: Daniel's Story," "The Nazi Olympics: Berlin 1936," through Aug. 17. "The Nuremburg Trials: What is Justice?," "Witness to History: Documenting the Path of American Liberators," permanent exhibition of artifacts, photographs and oral histories. 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place (15th Street) SW; 202-488-0400, ushmm.org.

Washington Printmakers Gallery: "Avoiding Tradition — The Extended Print," prints on canvas go 3-D in Bill Harris' exhibition, through June 29. 1732 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-7757, washingtonprintmakers.com.

Zenith Gallery: "Rock, Scissors, Paper: Sculpture by Stephen Hansen," through July 13. 413 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963, zenithgallery.com.

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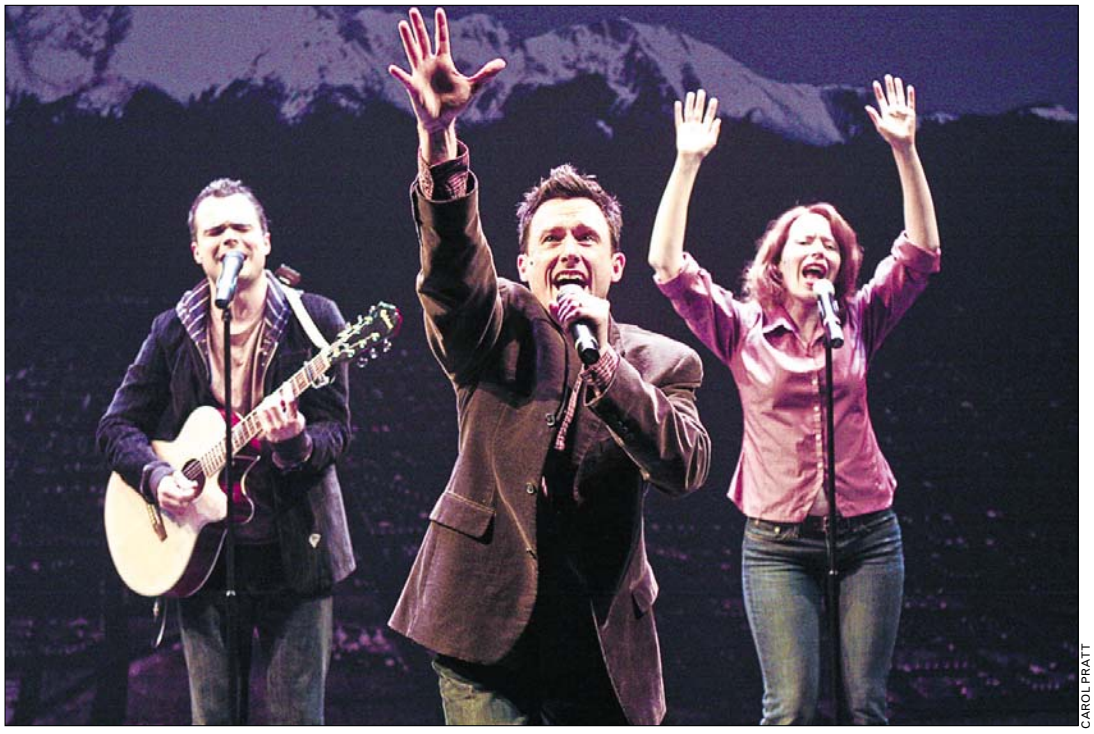

CAROL PRATT

BETTER BELIEVE: "This Beautiful City" is an unusual music-driven play about the fervently faithful. Set in the nation's unofficial capital of the evangelical Christian movement, Colorado Springs, the play revolves around songs, many of which use the quotes from interviews with evangelicals. "This Beautiful City" is at Studio Theatre through June 29.

Stage

WEEKENDS ONLY Agustín Lara: Boleros and Blues: The story of the famed Mexican composer's life, music and loves is told in a "sensual musical voyage" written by Gabriel Garcia, through June 29, Thu.-Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 3 & 7:30 p.m., $30-$34. Gala Hispanic Theatre, 3333 14th St. NW; 800-494-8497, galatheatre.org.

Antony & Cleopatra: The Shakespeare Theatre Company stages this classic in which two of the most powerful people in the world begin an ill-fated love affair, through July 6, $23.50-$79.75. Sidney

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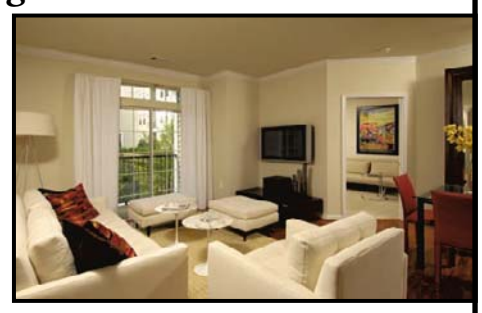

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ESTATE OF RICHARD DIEBENKORN

DESERT NIGHTS: A little-known aspect of Richard Diebenkorn's work is being rediscovered. Beginning on Saturday, the Phillips Collection will display his "Albuquerque" series, created while he was at the University of New Mexico, which emphasizes cool colors and eye-catching linear patterns.

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Harman Hall, 610 F St. NW; 202-547-1122, shakespearetheatre.org.

BosmaDance: The adventurous local troupe performs (and screens) "Gokyo," a video-dance work filmed in the Himalayan region of Nepal and set to original Nepali folk music, as well as other works. Dance Place, 3225 8th St. NE; 202-269-1600, danceplace.org.

LAST CHANCE Come Back to the Five and Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean: Texas residents celebrate a time when things like Jimmy Dean and Five and Dimes existed, through Sun., $15-$18. Silver Spring Stage, Colesville Road & University Boulevard, Silver Spring; 301-593-6036, ssstage.org.

LAST CHANCE David in Shadow and Light: Theater J has assembled an amazing team of actors and dancers for this stunning and strange world premiere, a musical retelling of the life of King David, through Sun., $20-$55. Theater J, 1529 16th St. NW; 800-494-8497, theaterj.org.

Goodnight Moon: A musical adaptation of the timeless, deathless, endless — moms know what we mean — children's classic, through June 22, $15. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE; 202-399-7993, atlasarts.org.

The Internationalist: A young Ameri-

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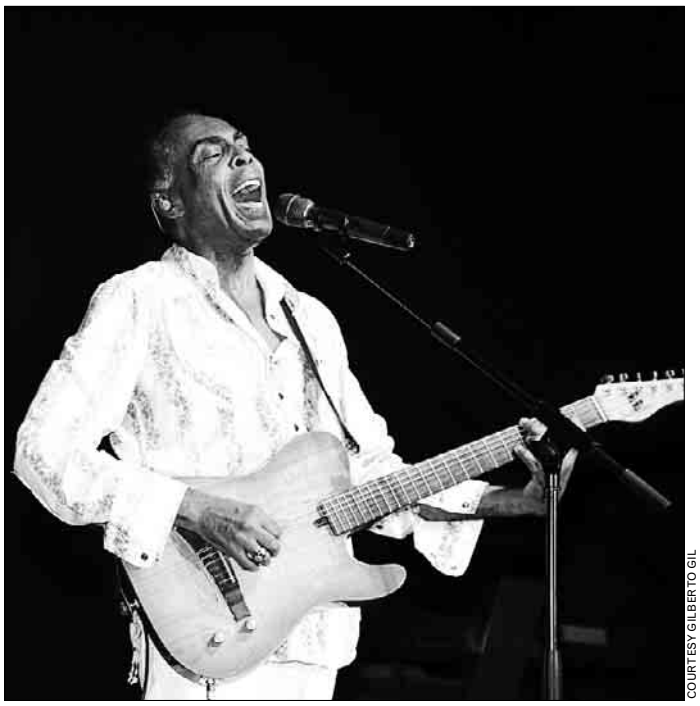

COURTESY GILBERTO GIL

CULTURAL CURATOR: Blending tropical sounds and a passionate advocacy for his country's cultural legacy has made Gilberto Gil one of the most influential Brazilians in the history of that nation, and a national treasure to boot. At 65, Gil delivers unbelievable energy in his performances. Prepare to be blown away when he hits the Lisner Auditorium stage on Sunday night.

TheScene

can businessman in a foreign office finds himself lost in translation, through June 22, Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300, studiotheatre.org.

Julius Caesar: The ultimate backstabbing story, performed by the Shakespeare Theatre Company, through July 6, $23.50-$79.75. Sidney Harman Hall, 610 F St. NW; 202-547-1122, shakespearetheatre.org.

The Lion and the Mouse: The under-10 set will thrill to Classika Theatre's movement-driven tale, opens Sat., through Aug. 17, $12-$15. Classika Theatre, 4041 Campbell Ave., Arlington; 703-824-6200, classika.org.

Measure for Pleasure: Woolly Mammoth presents David Grimm's Restoration comedy period piece with several naughty twists, through June 29, $33-$57. Woolly Mammoth Theatre, 641 D St. NW; 202-393-3939, woollymammoth.net.

Mystery of Irma Vep: Two men (Brad Oscar and J. Fred Shiffman) play a host of characters in Charles Ludlum's farcical mystery that draws on every Gothic and Victorian plot device in the dark and stormy book, through July 13, $49-$54. Arena Stage, 1800 S. Bell St., Crystal City; 202-488-3300, arenastage.org.

Nixon's Nixon: Round House Theatre performs Russell Lees' political satire about the president's last days in the White House and his association with Henry Kissinger, through June 22, $35-$55. Round House Theatre, 4545 East West Highway, Bethesda; 240-644-1100, roundhousetheatre.org.

St. Mark's Gospel: Theater Alliance's one-man show based on the gospel of St. Mark, through July 6, $30. H Street Playhouse, 1365 H St. NE; 202-396-2125, theateralliance.com.

This Beautiful City: Studio Theatre partners with the Civilians for this unusual play with music, an exploration of the evangelical Christian community in Colorado Springs, through June 29, $39-$57. Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300, studiotheatre.org.

The Visit: Greed and moral strength (or lack thereof) are recurring themes in this musical starring Tony winners George Hearn and Chita Rivera, through June 22, $30-$76. Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington; 703-820-9771, sig-online.org.

Waiting for Godot: Two bums wait around for one Mr. Godot in Samuel Beckett's existentialist comedy, performed by Scena Theatre, through June 29, $25-$32. Warehouse Theater, 1021 7th St. NW; 703-683-2824, scenatheatre.org.

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